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Significant Figures

Now that school has opened it is
pertinent to recall, even to bishop
Farley, the admirers of Roman. In
Catholics, what a saving of dol-
lars and cents our Catholic funds
represent, not only to the school
community at large but also to the
Catholic taxpayers. It costs cause
about \$30 annually for each pupil
attending the public schools, while
the average cost per pupil in the
Catholic schools is less one dollar
than \$10. Therefore, we save \$20
of the taxpayers money, of which
we would contribute our ratio—
on each pupil attending the Cath-
olic schools. Grant that our Cath-
olic schools cost \$10 per pupil,
we among the first men of his age,
have saved ourselves \$10 per and
pupil by the Catholic schools.
When this saving is computed for
the entire country, it will be enor-
mous sum. The "Pilot" gives these
interesting figures for the city and
archdiocese of Boston:

The cost of educating one child
in the grammar grades is \$30.27
and for each high school pupil
\$80 per pupil.
More than 17,000 pupils in the
grammar grades attend the Cath-
olic schools in the city, at a cost
therefore of about \$514,590 an-
nually. In addition there are
about 380 high school pupils, the
cost of whose education comes to
\$30,996.

Boston experts have calculated
that the investment in school
buildings in the city represents
\$150 for each child in attendance.
Hence the saving to the city in
building investment comes to
\$2,700,000, with interest at five
per cent, which should be added
to the cost of teaching each year.
In the entire archdiocese which
includes Suffolk, Norfolk, Essex,
Middlesex and Plymouth counties
there are grammar schools in 79
out of a few over two hundred
parishes.

There are also twenty-six high
schools.
The total number of children
in the grammar schools is 22,612
boys and 28,995 girls; in the high
schools—171 boys and 964 girls,
a total of 52,142 pupils.

"Good News", Not Wanted.
There are certain kinds of
"news" which the secular press
seize upon with avidity and
print under flaming headlines.
But what might be called "good
news" is ignored. For instance,
why do not the secular news ag-
encies give space and place to such
a remarkable piece of news as
the following from the Glasgow
"Star."

"No better testimony can be
given to the crimelessness of Ire-
land than the official return show-
ing the annual report of the
Prisons Board for Ireland which
has been presented to Parliament
during the past week. There
never was much real crime in
Ireland, but prior to the conver-
sion of the Liberal Party to the
salutary liberal principle of gov-
ernment by consent, anyone in
Ireland who was sturdy enough
to stand up for the political prin-
ciples of Irish self-government,
was somehow deemed a criminal
and was somehow and sometimes

jailed if possible. Of recent years
there has been a change in all
this, and the extent and signifi-
cance of it cannot be more forcib-
ly presented than in the mere
statement that over a hundred
prisons and bridewells have been
closed in Ireland during the past
thirty years. The prisons and
bridewells in the year 1878 num-
bered one hundred and thirty-
seven. Now there are twenty-five
in all."

"Oh, you Irishmen! where the
would you find a better eulogy of
the old sod?
Is not such an eulogy worth
the subscription price of the
Catholic Journal One Dollar a
Year?"

Orestes A. Brownson

On October 12th, a monument
is to be unveiled in New York
that noted convert, writer, and
defender of the faith, Dr. Orestes
A. Brownson have been raising the
fullest to the laws of symmetry,
but our modern cities are a hid-
eous hodge-podge, without sym-
metry, law, taste or design. Like
Topsy, they have "just grown."
It is a true portrait. It mirrors
our unaccountable pride in
ugliness that is costly. The hu-
man nautilus has gone to great
trouble to make his shell an au-
thentic record of all his deficien-

Writing of Dr. Brownson, Arch-
bishop Farley says:
"Brownson was regarded as the
most authentic record of all his deficien-
cies among the first men of his age,
and was acknowledged to be the
leading thinker and writer of our
country. Men like George Ban-
croft, Wendell Phillips, Charles
Sumner and Horace Greely es-
teemed his writing as of the
highest order. His works were
held in high esteem by the schol-
ars of Europe. Victor Cousin re-
garded him as the main philoso-
pher of the country, and Lord
Brougham pronounced him to be
our leading genius.

The Spanish Ambassador to
the United States called him
"The Balm of America," and
and Pere Gratry at the Sorbonne
said, "I firmly believe that Amer-
ica is not proud enough of her
Brownson. He is the keenest
critic of the nineteenth century,
an indomitable logician, a dis-
interested lover of truth more
than a philosopher, a sage as
sharp as Aristotle, as lofty as
Plato to the Newman of Amer-
ica."

The great talents of Doctor
Brownson should be made known
to our young men of most worth-
ing of a social convention. In-
famy of imputation, and the merits
of his labors entitle him to be held
in the highest esteem by all Cath-
olics. The debt we owe his mem-
ory for the services he rendered
can never be fully measured or
repaid. By honoring his memory
we honor ourselves, and the erec-
tion of a memorial will lead to
the organization of a Catholic
public spirit which will result in
greatest good for ourselves.

It would be well for Catholics
to read, to ponder well the fol-
lowing paragraph from Rev.
Robert H. Benson's article in the
"Atlantic Monthly" entitled
"Catholicism and the Future."
"In rejecting Catholicism, our
modern thinkers are rejecting
not merely one Western creed,
but a creed that finds an echo of
nearly every clause, under some
form or another (from the doc-
trine of the Blessed Trinity down
to the use of holy water) in one
another of all the great world-
religions that have ever controll-
ed the eternal hopes of men. And
yet our modern thinkers' ser-
iously maintain that the religion
of the future is to be one which
contains none of these articles
of what is, diffusely, practically
universal belief!"

Although New York is not a
"dry state" water has been
plentiful the last few days.

Cariah, But True?
While the "Looker-on" of the
Boston "Pilot" perhaps does not
portray truly all parts of Roches-
ter in the following paragraph,
nevertheless this city may fit in
the near future:
"What a fearsome jumble is
the modern city. Its sky line
would recall a bad dream. Every
bered one hundred and thirty-
possible form of architectural ug-
liness is there perpetuated. The
buildings along a street are like
the recruits in an awkward
squad. They toe the line and that
is all. No South American trop-
ical revolutionaries garbed in odds
and ends of military apparel is
more ludicrous to the seeing eye
than a typical street in an Amer-
ican city. And it tells the truth.
In unvarnished lines are revealed
the ignorance, the vagaries, the
foolish ambition of architect,
builder and proprietor. Greek art
and revealed the spirit of Greece. Ro-
man art, imitative yet independ-
ently adaptive mirrored the
admiration of Roman. In both there
was a faithfulness to the laws of sym-
metry, law, taste or design. Like
Topsy, they have "just grown."
It is a true portrait. It mirrors
our unaccountable pride in
ugliness that is costly. The hu-
man nautilus has gone to great
trouble to make his shell an au-
thentic record of all his deficien-

Which is Worse
The Catholic Universe, a friend
of the W. C. T. U., crusades against
cigarette smoking by Mrs. Alice
Roosevelt Longworth says it
disapproves unqualifiedly of
smoking by women but adds
"But at the same time, while it
doesn't "look nice," and offends
against good taste, no sin or
crime is committed. It seems to us
that if the organized women of
the land really want to show
that they are zealous Christians,
let them align their guns and
empty the vials of their wrath
and indignation against a certain
modern custom that is at the
same time a sin and a crime—a
violation of God's commandments
and of nature's law. Let them
raise their voice of protest
against the national sin and crime
of deliberate child murder, race
suicide, now practiced by hun-
dreds of thousands of women.
Smoking by women whether in
secret or in public is the break-
ing of a social convention. Infam-
y of imputation, and the merits
of his labors entitle him to be held
in the highest esteem by all Cath-
olics. The debt we owe his mem-
ory for the services he rendered
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tion of a memorial will lead to
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public spirit which will result in
greatest good for ourselves.

Scannell O'Neill, in the "Cath-
olic Columbian," calls attention
to the fact that the late Hon.
John G. Carlisle's only son's wife
and family are devout Catholics,
and the deceased statesman's
grandson and namesake, John G.
Carlisle, is a Catholic.

Rev. Father A. L. Cortie, S. J.,
professor of astronomy at Stony-
hurst College, England, is now in
this country and will attend the
international conference of as-
tronomers at Pasadena, Cal., as
representative of the Royal As-
tronomical Society of London.

The Catholics of Liverpool,
England, have once again been
successful in obtaining the bulk
of the senior scholarships offered
for competition by the City Coun-
cil. Three have gone to the Chris-
tian Brothers and two to the
Jesuits, leaving the remaining
three for division among the
non-Catholic and Council schools.

Well, Maine must have been
a surprise to some persons.
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on September 29th.



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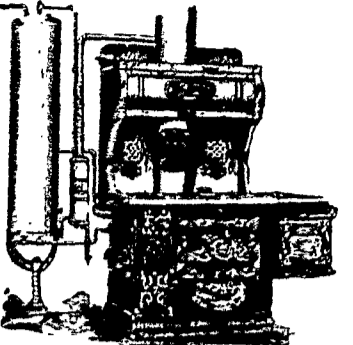
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