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Sound Advice and Reasoning

Among the papers and addresses read and delivered before the New York State Charities Conference held in Rochester last week, none stood out in bolder relief than the splendid presentation by Rev. A. M. O'Neil of the Catholic viewpoint of "Social Evil."

Father O'Neil's discussion was more than eloquent. Unlike so many of the ideas advanced by well-meaning but intensely impractical doctrinaires and idealists, the scholarly rector of the Church of the Immaculate Conception was broad-minded, practical and his discussion was common-sense in the extreme.

Father O'Neil scored heavily when he declared that when society set the same standard for the male as for the female of fender against the law of purity, a great step toward the abolition of the social evil would be taken.

New Order in Vogue

According to the expressed wish of the Holy Father, the Catholic Extension Society is now working new regulations which virtually raise this national home mission organization into a canonical institution.

During the last five years the Society has raised over half a million dollars for the poor missions which was largely expended

ed in gifts and loans to needy congregations; that millions of pieces of Catholic literature had been distributed in sections where the prevailing bigotry and ignorance made it badly needed, and that the Church Goods Department had supplied missions with hundreds of thousands of pieces of church furnishings, many new, but a great many more solicited from better situated parishes.

More Noted Converts

Progress of the Catholic faith is becoming more evident from day to day especially in the way of conversions.

The list of recent conversions, in England and America, is encouraging, not only because of the number but also because of the quality of the converts. Thus we learn from England of the conversion of Rev. A. R. C. Cooks, the Anglican Vicar of St. Bartholomew's, Brighton, and the Rev. H. F. Hinde, another Anglican Vicar of the same town.

In a line with these Anglican conversions is a long list of prominent Jews who have joined the Church. Among them we find Fr. James Veit of New York, Rev. F. K. Hareburn, of Louisville, Ky., Rev. C. W. Oppenheim, of Raymond, Ill., Rev. Hilary Rosenfeld, O.S. B., Brother Anthony of the Society of the Atonement, Brother Walter of Alexian Brothers, Paul Schaffell of the American College, Rome.

Rochester's session of the State Charities conference was a noteworthy one. The members too, are realizing that they can learn from the Catholic students and specialists even in regard to penology, sociology and charities.

Rochester ladies of the L. C. B. A., showed last Saturday that they are at home in conducting large functions.

Rochester has a few democrats who believe they are capable of filling the positions to be vacated on January 1st by the Republicans.

Boston now has 300 parishes or societies affiliated with the Federation of Catholic Societies.

In a recent address, Archbishop O'Connell of Boston, said: "The foundation of family life is the marriage bond and the security of that sacred tie is one of the best guarantees for the permanence and unity of family life."

According to the Boston "Republic" -

All party and sectional lines will go down next Saturday, at the ceremony of the United States Government's monument over the grave of Brigadier-General James Shields at Carrollton, Carroll County, Mo. General Shields was a native of Ireland - this being the centenary year of his birth in Dungannon; he was the hero of two wars; and he was an earnest Catholic, and in politics a Democrat.

REPUBLICS IN GERMANY.

Three City States Whose Constitutions the Empire Respects.

Hamburg, Bremen and Lübeck are theoretically three republics which have for the mutual convenience of themselves and the empire come under the rule of the Kaiser in all but purely local affairs. As they had joined the north German confederation, which was formed after Prussia's victory in 1867, there was nothing left for them to do but to give their allegiance to its successor, the empire.

Each is represented in the Bundesrat, or federal council, as well as in the Reichstag, and each retains the republican principle in its local legislation.

DROWNED THE MUSIC.

The Audience Was Angry, and Theodore Thomas Was Obstinate.

Theodore Thomas once undertook to raise a subscription fund for a series of concerts in San Francisco, but only \$10,000 had been raised and the enterprise was abandoned.

On the last night a determined effort was made to enforce her. She appeared again and again, bowing her thanks, and each time the applause increased instead of diminishing. At last the audience began to shout its demands instead of merely applauding and Miss Thurbay turned to Thomas and said: "What shall I do?"

A Venetian Fashion

Fashions were no less eccentric four centuries ago than they are today. Before the streets of Venice were paved in the thirteenth century, says Mr. William Barington in "Women in Italy."

Tale of a Snake.

"Before he went fishing," said the town story teller, "he swallowed about a pint of snake bit remedy, and of course you know what that is. Well, after the snake bit him the remedy cut all sorts of capers, kase the remedy went straight to his head. Last thing it tried to do was to swallow its tail, and it got itself in the form of a hoop, and I'm a liar if the children didn't roll it around all day!" - Atlanta Constitution.

Her Only Want.

"I have difficulty in satisfying my wife. She has a thousand wants." "I have difficulty in satisfying mine, and she has only one want." "What is it?" "Money." - Baltimore American.

Consistency.

Mother - Aren't you going to wash up your tea things, Mariaranne, before you go out? Daughter - No, I ain't. I'm late enough for "mother's" elp' class as it is. - London Opinion.

Modernity.

"Some are so intensely modern that they prefer a Corot to a Rembrandt." "If it's a better hill climber I don't blame 'em. Me for the French car every time." - London Punch.

His Biggest Mistake.

"What was the biggest mistake you ever made?" "Thinking I was too foxy to make a big mistake." - Cleveland Leader.

There is something more awful in happiness than in sorrow. - Hawthorne.

Watches advertisement for S. D. Burritt. Features a large pocket watch with 'BURRITT' on the face. Text includes 'A THOUSAND PATTERNS TO CHOOSE FROM', 'Look for the Big Watch Over the Door', and prices for various models like '14-K. Solid Gold Watch, Very Dandy, \$20.90'.

Victor-Victrola advertisement. Features an image of a gramophone. Text includes 'This "Baby" Victor-Victrola, as it is often called, is certainly a "chip of the old block"', 'Open Evenings \$1 Down \$1 a Week The Talking Machine Co.', and '97 Main St. E.'

Frank J. Stupp advertisement for Christmas gifts. Text includes 'Appropriate Christmas Gifts', 'Miscellaneous Catholic Books', 'Prayer Books, Bibles, Gold and Silver Chain Rosaries, Statues, Medallions, Gold Crosses, Hearts and Medals, Candlesticks, Crucifixes, Holy Water Fonts, &c.', and 'FRANK J. STUPP 37 CLINTON AVENUE NORTH Only Catholic Bookstore in Rochester'.

The Rochester Trust and Safe Deposit Co. advertisement. Text includes 'An Advantage to Patrons.', 'This company has the resources, organization and connections which enable it to be of the utmost service to its customers.', 'FOUR PER CENT. Interest Allowed on Deposits. Capital and Surplus, \$1,500,000 Resources over \$20,000,000.00', and 'Main Street West Cor. Exchange'.

Matthews & Servis Co. advertisement. Text includes 'For Pure Ales Wines and Liquors', 'Send your orders to Matthews & Servis Co.', '95 STATE ST. 10th Phone 2075', and 'Clothing For Men Women and Children. CASH or CREDIT. G W BEELER, 45-48 Reynolds Arcade, Up One Flight'.

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