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Dishonesty
Undoubtedly, there are many dishonest persons who consider themselves honest at heart. They would be insulted were anybody to suggest that failure to pay debts placed them in the dishonest class but such is the ruling of the Church and this is the way Rev. Stephen Lyons of New Jersey, characterized them in a recent sermon:--

The Church Progress is waging a commendable battle against nasty plays in St. Louis.
The Rochester News Writers club observes the proprieties. Its splendid "Roastfests" never are held in Lent.
We endorse this from "Church Progress"--
"Rt. Rev. Bishop Alerding, of Fort Wayne, Ind., in a recent eloquent sermon on the Catholic press, sounded the slogan, (One Catholic Paper, at Least, For Every Catholic Family.) The phrase ought to be framed and hung in every Catholic home.

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Not Surprising.
If the "Catholic Standard and Times" were well acquainted with William Travers Jerome it would not take his assaults on the Catholic Church too seriously. Jerome is a fine specimen of the professional mountebank morally speaking. He is all things to all men--when the expected result is for the benefit of Jerome--populist, prohibitionist, anti-gambler, and so to the end of the chapter.

Is it not a fact that there are many people called Christians nowadays who willfully neglect for weeks, months and even years to pay bills due for house rent, groceries, dry goods, medicines, board, newspapers, burials, etc.? Such people ignore the command of Christ to render to all men their dues, disregard the worries and losses caused their creditors and even grow angry and talk injuriously about those who accommodated them if reminded of their debts. They keep no account of their debts, but incur one obligation after another and when pay comes are unable to meet their bills. A wilful debtor is no better than a thief for the loss is the same whether ten dollars are stolen or goods to that amount sold, but not paid for. The thief takes secretly, while the debtor takes publicly what belongs to you. The most insolent defrauder, the greatest pest of business men, the worst enemy of the honest, deserving poor who often need credit is the brazen person who wilfully contracts debts, but makes no effort to pay.

After his long service as priest and bishop, Archbishop Ryan left an estate of only \$4,000!
Good reading is a splendid way of keeping Lent. A Catholic paper is good reading. If you doubt this, try it.
Right to the point is this paragraph from the "Catholic Record" of London, Ont.:
The Duke of Wellington put it tersely when according to Rev. J. R. Cohn, he said: "Teach your children the Three R's and leave out the great R. of religion and you will only produce a fourth R, Rascaldom, and get a nation of clever devils."

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Questions To Answer
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I would like to address to every Protestant this question: If it be true that the cultus of the Blessed Virgin and of the saints in the Catholic Church is "an injury to the honor of Christ," and we, as claimed "detract from the mediocrity of Christ by this worship," whereas amongst Protestants "Christ alone is looked up to," how does it come to pass that in the Catholic Church, and in her alone the belief in Jesus Christ the Lord, and His divine works of redemption, has remained unmoved and immovable in all times, whilst within the Protestant pale this belief has been lost or abandoned by so many, even professed theologians and teachers?

Archbishop Bruchesi, of Canada, writes to a friend that, as a result of the temperance crusade he has led in the last few years he has pledged 200,000 young persons to temperance. These are followed up and gathered into temperance societies, graded according to age.
Says the Kansas City Catholic Register:--
"Don't try to make people believe you know the Mass so thoroughly that you have no need for a prayerbook--you won't succeed. This applies mostly to men but, occasionally a woman, is seen in Church minus prayerbook or beads.

The Catholic Columbian puts it well and tersely:--
"The only way to have a reunited Christendom is for the sects that have gone away from the Church to return to it."
A contemporary is not far out of the way in this paragraph:--
"Sometimes when we notice the carryings on of sundry fraternal organizations the rules of which preclude membership to those of immoral character, we are won't to wonder really what moral character consists in.

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Unconquerable!
Though written many years ago, are not the following words by John Ruskin applicable to the present day:--
No cheating or bargaining will ever get a single thing out of nature's "establishment" at half price. Do we want to be strong? We must work. To be hungry? We must starve. To be happy? We must be kind. To be wise? We must look and think. No changing of place at a hundred miles an hour nor making of stuffs a thousand yards a minute will make us one whit stronger, happier or wiser. There was always more in the world than men could see, walked they ever so slowly; they will see it no better for going fast. And they will at last, and soon, too, find out that their grand inventions for conquering (as they think) space and time do in reality conquer nothing, for space and time are in their own essence unconquerable and, besides, did not want any conquering--they wanted using. A fool always wants to shorten pace and kill time; a wise man, first to gain them, then to animate them.

Why does the New York Legislature not get down to business?
Cardinal Gibbons calls forcible attention to the divorce evil, in pulpit sermon, magazine article and newspaper interview.

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Bewildered.
The following is not from a Catholic paper but from the Protestant Episcopal "American Catholic"--
An architect in an Eastern city was recently employed by the directors of the local Young Women's Christian Association to prepare plans for a large and costly new building. His plans, being submitted to the executive committee, were found to call for a granite cross, sunk into the brick-work over the front door.
"Who's this doing here?" asked a director with some asperity.
"Well, I thought it proper to add something symbolical of the Christian religion--the Cross, the Christian Association. Quite natural, isn't it?"
"Can't help it; it must come out. Won't do at all--cause all sorts of trouble."
"Hello!" said another director. "Who's the old chap over here on the corner?"
"That's one of the Apostles."
"Well, he'll have to go."
"Who's the matter--young woman scared?" replied the bewildered architect; "or are you down on the Apostles, too?"

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