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Christmas

Again the cycle of days roll round to another Christmas. Again we make ready for the Xmas cheer. Once more we prepare for the holiday giving. This is the season of good cheer.

But to us as Catholics the season means much more. "Christ's Mass" is the way it is written for us. It means that Christ is come to this world to free us from the penalty of sin. We should be prepared to greet Him rightly. Bitterness, envy, rancor and anger should find no place in our hearts. Instead Charity toward all should fill our hearts.

If Christmas finds us in this condition, then indeed, it will be a happy season for us. We will enter into the true spirit of Christmas and we will kneel at the Crib with the Wise Men and worship Christ as do the little children.

This is the Christmas message which the Catholic Journal would bring to its readers.

Facts Are Out

"Murder will out" is an old saying. Its truth is demonstrated in the revelations as to the real ownership of the "Menace." It was owned by J. W. Wayland, also owner of the Socialist "Appeal to Reason." Wayland, who committed suicide recently, acknowledged a Mrs. Wayland and the "Appeal to Reason." He tried to conceal the ownership of the "Menace" and the existence of an unfortunate girl who should have been Mrs. Wayland.

United States Attorney H. J. Bone in response to an inquiry regarding the suicide of Wayland and the claim made by the "Appeal to Reason" that it was because he was harassed by the United States Government said:—

"The suicide of Wayland was without doubt caused by the disclosures to be made as a result of the vigorous investigation of the government concerning the methods of 'The Appeal to Reason' and its staff, which will doubtlessly be made public within the next few days. The developments resulting from the report of the federal grand jury, and from sources, will reveal the righteousness of the government's course of action and contention.

"The government was in possession of sufficient facts to prove beyond doubt among other serious charges that of perjury against J. A. Wayland, and other serious charges against Wayland and members of the staff of 'The Appeal' and associated publications, including The Menace, published at at Aurora.

"Statements made by Wayland shortly prior to his suicide are proof that he had learned of some of the results of the investigation being conducted by the government, as he stated within the last few days before his suicide that he would not be able to stand the disgrace which would result from the disclosure of the facts about to be made public. Wayland's suicide in the eyes of the government is convincing

proof of his guilt. I understand that action has been taken by the Kansas and Missouri authorities which will further bear out the government's contention.

Explained

It has always been a mystery to us just what was "Pastor Russell's" game in furnishing his alleged "weekly sermons" free to the papers of the country, in some cases actually paying regular advertising rates for the space so taken up.

If the Brooklyn "Eagle" is correctly informed the successor to Dr. T. Dewitt Talmage is a very practical preacher and his antipathy to the Catholic church is only part of his play to wear all he can away from every religious belief and transfer their property to him to be employed in founding a new religion of which he is to be the leader and master. The Eagle avers that Pastor Russell is a very thrifty soul and has invested these donations very shrewdly and profitably. He resents the charge and has a libel suit for \$100,000 pending against the "Eagle." That paper does not appear fearful of the result in the courts. In fact, it keeps right on after Pastor Russell.

It appears that recently Pastor Russell took a trip abroad. Before leaving it would appear that he conceived the not-original idea. Dr. Talmage was caught at the same game years ago—of preparing weekly sermons in advance of sailing so they could be dated at each foreign stopping place and labeled "special cable despatch." The Eagle kept tabs on Pastor Russell and caught him with the goods. The American papers had him preaching a long sermon at Honolulu and quoted from his remarks. The Eagle prints a signed statement from Editor Walter G. Smith of the Honolulu Star saying that "Pastor Russell was here for a few hours with a Bible students committee on investigation of foreign missions, but did not make a public address as had been anticipated."

Would that all Catholic papers and all wealthy Catholics were as zealous to run down and expose the hounds that are yelping at the heels of the Catholic hierarchy.

President Taft has appointed Rev. Wm. H. Ketcham a member of the Board of Indian Commissioners. An ideal selection it is.

The Catholic Union and Times wonders why some Buffalo dailies had no mention in their news columns of Bishop Hanna's consecration. We wonder, too, as we know the Associated Press sent the news out over the wires.

The English translation of "Adeste Fideles" was made by Rev. Frederick Oakley, an Episcopalian clergyman, who afterward became a convert to the Catholic Church.

Dr. Alexis Carrel, the famous surgeon who won this year's prize, is said to be a Catholic. Dr. Carrel is a Frenchman but has lived in the United States for years.

A young Japanese nobleman, Baron Montono, son of the Japanese Ambassador to Spain, has been baptized and recently made his first communion in Tokio.

Episcopalians are making a determined effort to have excluded from all public school histories the fact that Henry VIII founded their church.

The Indiana Catholic proposes "Honest John Burke," three times elected governor of North Dakota and Bryan's choice for vice-president for a place in President Wilson's cabinet.

A World of Good Things for Christmas! MARZIPAN

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