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Point of View

Cardinal Farley has lent his approval and influence to the movement started by Miss Elizabeth Lummis...

At a meeting recently held to put the movement into concrete form, Miss Elizabeth Marbury, the dramatic agent and producer...

Miss Marbury was asked after the meeting why she declined to serve on a committee.

"Well," she said, "when they get up and say that every play in New York is either vile or stupid I can't subscribe to that."

"If there was a public censor would any of the plays you have marketed be effected?" she was asked.

"Yes, I suppose some of them would," she admitted.

"You are a member of the Catholic Church, aren't you?"

"Yes, but the Church doesn't give me my job."

Note that Miss Marbury does not deny the impeachment of Mr. McGuire. All she thinks about, apparently, is how the new movement will affect her profits...

Revelry

Bishop Hickey has done well in calling attention to the revels held in Rochester and elsewhere under the guise of "watching the Old Year out and the New Year in."

While it may be considered bad form for non-Catholics to take part in these orgies there is absolutely no excuse for Catholics doing so.

one enter the Church who has spent the night in revelry in condition to assist intelligently in the Mass?

Catholic's should not be participants in midnight revelry on any day.

Good Suggestion

It is not considered good form to advise an incoming President too much, but the Catholic Journal would hope that President-elect Woodrow Wilson will be in accord with the following suggestion from Christian Hogarth of Wheaton, Ill., to the Chicago Tribune:

"As a Dane, and having lived in Denmark for the last four years, I would like to state that the present United States minister to Denmark, the Hon. Dr. Maurice F. Egan, is extremely popular with the Danish people and Danish court, and it would be highly regretted by official and unofficial Denmark should he be withdrawn, inasmuch as Dr. Egan has shown a liking and preference for the country assigned to by refusing to be transferred to the American embassy at one of the largest capitals of Europe.

"Without exaggeration it may be said that Mr. Egan is as able and for a foreign office as thoroughly equipped a man as ever entered the field of diplomacy. Denmark is fond and proud of him. His own country ought to be."

Possibly, President Wilson may give us more of the John Hay's and Maurice Francis Egan's in our diplomatic service and less of the Towers, Von Meyers and the Drapers whose chief title to fame have been their lavish social display and their unconscious toadyism and flunkeyism.

Thomas A. Edison's daughter is to marry a Catholic. Perhaps, she will balk at the usual marriage contract. If so, we trust the young man will break off the engagement because if he marries outside the Church he ceases to be a Catholic.

Now for those New Year's resolutions.

Have you grown accustomed to "1913"?

Another year gone; another year begun.

Cardinal Gibbons thinks the Nation should pension ex-presidents and their widows, not Mr. Carnegie.

John Ayscough, the English novelist, is not far astray when he writes that: "When the day of Judgment comes we may find that it was not our modern knowledge that converted such a one, but the prayer of some old Irish apple-woman, who never heard of him or us, but said her 'Our Fathers' and 'Hail Marys' under her leaky umbrella in the November rain at the street corner."

Archbishop Keane, of Dubuque bears a striking resemblance to Woodrow Wilson and has frequently been mistaken for the president-elect.

Bishop Burke has presented to St. Vincent's Male Orphan Asylum in Albany a new flag and flag pole.

The Omaha True Voice complains because of a disposition to disregard the Advent fasting and abstinence.

It is up to the Catholic laity of the United States to be vigilant.

Governor William Sulzer, it is now.

As usual, political linen is being laundered in public these days.

ROUND THE WORLD

There are forty two triplets living in Ohio. Wages in Belgium are lower generally than in any other European country.

A tablet weighing four ounces comprises an entire meal in the United States army's newest emergency ration.

Every year 8,000,000 pounds of condensed milk and 5,000,000 pounds of biscuits are sent to China from England.

The British army costs per man more than twice as much as the most expensive compulsory service army in Europe.

Within ten years twenty-five square miles of land around New York have been reclaimed by being filled in with coal ashes gathered in the city.

"Education," detection and control, should be the watchwords of the campaign against tuberculosis, according to the Chicago Tuberculosis Institute.

Primarily for the use of invalids is a chair invented by a Tennesseean, so equipped with mirrors that an occupant can see what is going on around him without rising.

The supreme court of Leipzig has decided in the case of a waitress who was dismissed for flirting with customers that flirting was not criminal and was necessary for a waitress.

The education conference in Peking has resolved to establish in the next three years further universities in Canton, Wuchang and Nanking, in addition to the existing one at Peking.

The largest destroyer in the world was recently put afloat at Coque. She is called the Tonne. Her displacement is 1,850 tons. She has been built for Chile, and mounts six four-inch guns.

With the completion of the Panama canal Japanese steamships will probably for the first time ply on the Atlantic seaboard, particularly in connection with the extensive raw cotton freight traffic.

Thirty-five young girls at Albacete, Spain, have vowed not to marry any young man who prior to their twenty-eighth birthday has not given proof of their prowess in the "bull-ring" as amateur bullfighters.

A process for making alcohol from the waste parts of henequen plants has been discovered in Yucatan, and it is believed that the new industry will add considerably to the already large income accruing from that plant.

Out of approximately 5,500 students listed in the college catalogue at Harvard fifty bear the name of Smith. The Browns are a poor second, with twenty-four representatives, but are tied with the members of the Davis family.

All our coffee must be purchased outside of this country, but this does not deter the American public from using \$70,000,000 pounds of it every year, or nine and one-fourth pounds for each man, woman and child in the country.

Miss Strain's maid, a Paris shop-keeper, who set herself on fire after saturating her clothes with petrol, stated in a letter that she had chosen the most painful death she could think of to punish herself for having vexed her dead husband during his life.

Large districts in the far east formerly planted in tobacco are now being planted in rubber trees, and as a consequence no lower prices for tobacco are looked for. Land for tobacco growing can be used only one-fourth of the time and must be left idle for the remainder.

Constantinople's principal department stores are run on the same lines as the stores in New York or Chicago. They do a great deal of window dressing and interior decorating. Advertisements are run in French, Turkish and Greek newspapers, and they have special bargain days.

In Rome, (a) the percentage of old men, hale and sturdy, who are making a living without assistance is large. More than fifty men beyond the age of seventy - some are nearer eighty - are caring for themselves, earning sufficient for their needs. Most of them served four years in the southern army.

Two thousand three hundred love letters, dating from the year 1239 onward, arranged in bundles of fifty tied with jeweled silver chains and written by six different girls, were found preserved in an ivory casket in the bedroom of a lonely bachelor who has just died at Melbourne at the age of eighty-two.

The Suez canal, according to Shipping Illustrated, is owned by a private company, the Cie Universelle du Canal Maritime de Suez. Its president, secretary, manager and a majority of its directors are French. Great Britain, it is stated, has never interfered in the management of this company, nor has the French government.

Norway intends to celebrate the centenary of the adoption of a constitution on May 17, 1814, by holding a national exposition at Christiania, May 15 to Sept. 30 or possibly as late as Oct. 15, 1914. It was first intended to hold an international exhibition, but the storting (parliament) has decided that a national exposition will be of greater value to Norway.

Ancient farm houses have been gathered from all parts of Denmark and placed in the grounds of the famous Danish National museum at Lyngby, with a view to educating the people in their national history. There are galleries filled with old furniture, antique coaches, harness that belonged to different guilds, with their funeral trappings, and other interesting relics of the past.

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