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On account of death in the family the paper is a little late this week.

The Catholic Paper

In our judgment, the number of those who argue that because the daily papers publish considerable Catholic news there is no real need of a Catholic paper. They have come to see that while Catholic items are published piecemeal and scattered through seven daily issues in one week, these are sandwiched in with other news some of which, at least, is unfit for general perusal, by all members of a family while the Catholic paper makes a specialty of Catholic news and its other matter is unobjectionable.

Moreover, the Catholic news in the secular press is "edited" to fit the policy of the paper or the space available on that particular day. Oftentimes, it is not accurate either as to historical or ecclesiastical data. Dignitaries are not given their proper titles; ceremonies are not properly described and the whole matter is treated, not from a Catholic but a secular news viewpoint.

Again: The malicious onslaughts of bigots and bigoted publications upon the Catholic Church have opened the eyes and changed the opinions of Catholics who now set the importance and necessity for a strong and vigorous defender of their own faith.

The Catholic Press is the natural, logical and consistent ally of the Catholic pupil.

Is It Charity?

In a recent editorial the Chicago Inter-Ocean said:—

"Known charitable gifts in the United States during the year 1913 aggregated the enormous sum of \$80,135,476 or \$2.61 for every second, every tick of the clock, according to a compilation made in New York. At the head of this list is the bequest of the late New York merchant, Benjamin Altman, of his collection, valued at \$15,430,000, to the Metropolitan Museum of New York.

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., with his gift of \$10,000,000 to aid in the suppression of the white slave traffic is second. These are followed in order by Colonel O. H. Payne, with \$4,350,000 to Cornell University; Ferris S. Thompson, with \$3,655,000 to Princeton; Andrew Carnegie, with various gifts aggregating \$3,633,000 and Robert P. Doremus, with a gift to Washington and Lee University of \$3,000,000. These are the greatest charitable offerings broken in money recorded during the year, but there were a number of others ranging from one to two million dollars each and innumerable others of smaller size. Of course, this compilation includes only the known charitable offerings. There must have been hundreds of thousands of others, of small amounts each but totaling a great sum in the aggregate which will probably bring our charity giving to well over a hundred million of dollars. Certainly,

there seems to be an abundance of generosity in America.

We do not know what our readers think but it is our opinion that \$15,000,000 to a metropolitan museum of art does not constitute charity in any sense of the word.

Secular Objection

A secular publication, the Iowa Reform, evidently disgusted with a blasphemous renegade, judging from the following editorial of November 24th:—

The former Catholic priest, Jerry Crowley, who, since he fell away from the Catholic Church, has been traveling through the country bitterly assailing and attacking the Church organization which cast him off, was in the city last week attending the convention of the Church Efficiency Congress, a would-be pious organization, for the purpose of squirting his venom against the Catholic Church.

He spoke on Friday afternoon as well as in the evening, and his speech was nothing but attacks against the Catholic Church.

This Mr. Crowley is the same person who received the warm endorsement of the American Turner publication. It may be possible that he is an honorable gentleman, but, nevertheless, his venomous attacks against the Catholic Church are disgusting. No wonder then that serious disturbances occurred in several places where he has made addresses.

The fact that he lent himself and his venomous tongue to such pretended, or would-be, pious organization as that called the Church Efficiency Congress held in Davenport and was its "honored guest," has not made himself (Crowley) esteemed among the liberal people of the city.

We mention this as a pointer to our non-Catholic friends who are contemplating a gathering similar to the above "Church efficiency Congress"

Dancing

What is in the minds of the people that they have gone mad over the new dances of the "festal type? They are not graceful; certainly they are not modest or becoming. Yet society women are insistent in their battle to hold on to the dances that are condemned on all sides. If the leaders in society would frown upon these dances it would not be long ere they would die out of inanition.

The Catholic Church has set her face sternly against these dances and cannot do otherwise. They are occasions of sin and hence are not to be encouraged. Young people should accept the admonition in the spirit in which it is offered. Their elders should not need the admonition. For the protection of their children and their younger relatives they should welcome the restrictions imposed by Holy Mother Church and so help to preserve the morals of their children.

It may easily happen if the present craze continues that the Catholic Church authorities may be compelled to interdict dancing carried on as an adjunct to public or private entertainments given under the auspices of Catholic societies.

Looks as if Winter had not forgotten us anyway.

How many of those New Year's resolutions have been broken?

With the new tariff and the new currency law, the high cost of living should begin to show some reduction.

The Catholic Church was the pioneer of civilization, the founder of states, the framer of laws.

Catholic laymen are the supplement of the priesthood and the American laity should be and up doing.



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Assets	Liabilities
Bonds and Mortgages \$14,030,528.88	Due Depositors \$23,157,168.71
Land Contracts 38,205.12	Interest Accrued on Deposits 65,600.00
State Bonds, Market Value 237,000.00	Reserve for Taxes 5,500.00
(Par Value \$250,000)	Other Liabilities 12,512.01
County Bonds, Market Value 801,390.00	Surplus, Market Value 1,859,634.95
(Par Value \$828,000)	
City Bonds, Market Value 3,551,766.00	
(Par Value \$3,747,000)	
Village & Town Bonds, Mkt. Val 155,792.00	
(Par Value \$153,800)	
School District Bonds, Mkt. Val 83,992.60	
(Par Value \$84,152.60)	
Railroad M'tg. Bonds, Mkt. Val 4,482,285.00	
(Par Value \$5,124,000)	
Banking House and Lot 200,000.00	
Interest due and accrued 299,283.74	
Other Assets 343.50	
Cash on hand 299,190.72	
Cash in Banks and Trust Co.'s 924,360.71	
\$25,104,717.27	\$25,104,717.27

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January 1, 1914

Resources	Liabilities
Bonds and Mortgages \$16,237,260.00	Amount Due Depositors \$24,466,943.07
Bonds of Cities 4,075,745.00	(Including Interest at 4 per cent.)
Railroad Mortgage Bonds 2,440,086.00	Other Liabilities 111,718.30
U. S. Bonds and Bonds of States 865,600.00	Surplus (market value) 1,275,599.94
County Bonds 441,225.00	
Town and Village Bonds 139,498.00	
Interest Accrued 456,678.33	
Real Estate 35,000.00	
Land Contracts 2,750.00	
Cash in Banks and Trust Co.'s 932,480.93	
Cash on Hand 278,089.59	
\$35,954,261.90	\$25,954,261.90

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