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Must Be Accurate

While we feel sure that honest, fair-minded and well-informed Free Masons are not spreading the report now going the rounds that Pope Pius IX was once a Mason and was expelled after he became Pope...

The report in question seems to have been started by the South African 'Bloemfontein Gazette' to the effect that in 1873 one 'Mastlai Ferretti, having been crowned Pope and King had excommunicated his brother Masons...

Here are the facts:— Pope Pius IX, before he ascended the Papal throne was 'Mastlai', Ferretti, not 'Mastlai'. He was not a Sicilian and visited the island seldom, if at all...

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Just one point more:—The Popes had condemned Masonry as early as 1738, beginning with Clement XII. We cite these dates and facts as much for the benefit of educated Free Masons...

A Mistake

The following indictment, more severe than any we have seen so far in print, of the 'eugenics and sex hygiene fads,' is not by a Catholic prelate or priest but by Bishop Candler of the Southern Methodist Church:

'This huge scheme of eugenics is a tragic blundering with sacred things. Already it has yielded a corrupting bulk of salacious talk about 'sex hygiene' and sex instruction in the public schools. The magazines overflow with the vile current of demoralizing slush, the theaters are playing to the 'sex motive' and there is such an accentuation of the fact of sex as to defile the minds of a generation of young people.'

man's freedom of will, by which Divine characteristic he is lifted infinitely above any and all brutes. It thus degrades the true spirit of many by ignoring it. It is time to tell these pretentious mechanics to stand aside. Let them keep their hands off our schools and school children at least. Our public schools were not founded to furnish clinical opportunities for sex-mad fanatics.'

A Reaction

Thinking Protestants are beginning to see that the campaign of attack upon the Catholic Church, like the sex plays and all the other unnatural ideas which are exploited with an eye to filling their promoters' pockets and not with any idea of elevating morals is more than likely to produce a reaction which will be of far more benefit than injury to the Catholics.

Says the 'Continent,' a Presbyterian publication:— 'The United States of late has heard a great deal too much of fierce and even slanderous denunciation of Roman Catholics, and far too little of the reasons why the majority of Christians in this country are not Roman Catholics. The roar and noise of maledictions hailing down on the head of the Pope persuade the public of nothing except the all too familiar spirit of religious intolerance has been stirred up again. And the reaction is more likely to incline toward Catholicism than away from it.'

In our judgment, the Continent is entirely right.

Prayers Vs. Flowers

We are glad to note the growth in Catholic circles of condolences with those who have lost friends or relatives taking the form of 'Mass Cards' instead of floral remembrances. Flowers are refreshing fragrance in the sick room of the living, but they bring no benefit after death while the sacrifice of the Mass avails after our loved ones have passed beyond the grave.

Moreover, in many instances, those who cannot afford it felt in duty bound to send floral tributes in order to emulate those better able to do so until the chamber of death looks like a floral display. True, when the deceased is a non-Catholic flowers seem about the only way one can transmit sympathy, especially nowadays when families do not receive personal visits from anybody during the time the corpse remains unburied. But Catholics have a far better form of remembrance and it is but fitting that they employ that means.

'Flowers for the living and Masses for the dead' would seem to be a safe and a wholesome rule to be followed by Catholics.

Out in Denver a crazy bigot attacked the morals of Catholic women, whereupon a Protestant in the audience who was married to a Catholic wife, arose and remarked that if the speaker made another reference to the morals of Catholic women he would kill him (the speaker.) Unjustifiable sentiments, perhaps, but who will deny the provocation?

In our opinion, it is not advisable for Catholic's to engage in arguments with Socialists as the latter change front so often that it is impossible to pin them to one definite line. Certainly, it is absurd for an ignorant Catholic to attempt to argue with an educated non-Catholic.

The Catholic fraternal societies are as high class as any other and they have the added advantage of being Catholic.

The fair treatment accorded non-Catholic's in Catholic Quebec is a good and sufficient answer to the arguments of the 'Ulstermen' that Irish home rule would mean unfair treatment to...

Another sign of spring is the cap-sized canoe.

The cook says beating a bad egg doesn't make it better.

Every once in awhile some newspaper correspondent rediscovers Castro.

The whisper of pleasure is often more easily heard than the call of duty.

One form of the uplift in New York is to be a fourteen story prison for women.

The man who earns popularity is more likely to keep it than the man who buys it.

Our funny language—a man feels put out when he discovers that he has been taken in.

No one looks so ridiculous as the fellow who puts on a martyr's crown that does not fit.

The cost of living is such that the milk of human kindness is more expensive than usual.

France has abolished the vivandieres in the army. Now her soldiers can do their fighting in peace.

The Japanese government is suffering from growing pains, superinduced by insufficient nutrition.

Every story of the failure of Curiso's voice is followed by another telling of an increase of pay.

Mme. Cailhau went to a dentist's immediately before she shot M. Caillette. Paris needs better dentists.

This agency is learning to do with less— from the spineless cactus of Burbank to the wireless electric light of Marconi.

The only thing in the world that defies the law of perspective is a dollar. The farther you are away the bigger it looks.

There cannot be any adequate penalty for kidnapping, but there can be a whole lot more adequate penalty than there is.

Look out for a new kind of campaign cigar—a plant resembling the cabbage is lathering the engineers of the Panama canal.

There are some men who have so much confidence in themselves that they really believe they can unscrow the inscrutable.

When everybody who can possibly dance has learned how no doubt some other form of intellectual recreation will be invented.

A college professor says that no persons should marry whose voices are not akin, this being the first argument for speech imitations.

Being a baseball hero may not be so spectacular as being a Mexican general, but it is more healthful and the medals are regular.

Doganes stopped his search to-morrow. A German naval officer announces that Dewey and Dewey alone told the truth about Manila-bay.

What joy these eight Chicago club-women appeared dejected assessors will have in the vacation of their friends' wardrobes.

They are now making substitutes for ivory and tortoise shell out of milk, which ought to be some relief to elephants and tortoises.

A scientist announces the discovery of the presence of milk in beans. A man is going to make a fine picture trying to milk a bean.

Yes, it is true that southern Europe is sending us some undesirable, but think what America did when it sent Jack Johnson to Europe.

Various aged men have discovered that all the world does not necessarily love a lover who has grown children, with eyes on his bank account.

The New York physician who recommends tango as a cure for nerves could make even more money by opening a sanitarium for his patients.

'Marriage means restraint, sacrifice and hard work' is the substance of Ida Tarbell's message to girls. So does everything else worth having.

Professor Blount has M.D. of making fresh ice cream out of 25¢ by pills is possible, which, possibly, doesn't insist on compulsory eating of the results.

France has conferred the status of the Legion of Honor on a certain player. The player has been so long long he had to return from playing to deserve this distinction.

Officials of the Chicago golf clubs have formed an association for the purpose of uplifting the caddies. The first lesson, we presume, will be not to repeat all that they hear.

The St. Louis man whom the surgeons had to relieve of \$4.85 worth of nickels, which he swallowed on a bet, should have had another operation performed on his cranium. It would be interesting to know what is inside.

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