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Scientists or those who admit and claim they are possessed of expert knowledge on matters which the average man is ignorant...

"Prove it to me by ocular or scientific demonstration" shouts the braggart scientist. "You are a fool" is the retort when the layman dares to dispute the accuracy...

"For some of them certainly committed the awful crime. To swear to a lie is perjury. To swear to an uncertainty is the same."

Results Good. The Federation of Catholic Societies, both state and national, is a great and vigorous institution.

Now come along scientific experts of equal renown who aver that sewer gas is not nearly so dangerous in inhalation as the air of a city street...

If the last corner be correct, how about the millions of dollars spent in useless sanitary appliances?

Probably the old sanitary experts will continue to maintain that their theory is correct and accurate while the latter day experts will retort with red-hot assertion of the truth of their theory...

The point we wish to convey is that we Catholics have as much right to accept matters on faith, and are no more to be classed as ignorant people because we do not take certain elements of our religion on faith...

It is bad enough to lie but when one goes into court and swears upon the name of God to tell the truth and then lies he is guilty of perjury in the eyes of the law and of what we know not to be the sight of God.

"No God, No Obligation"

Writing about America's "godless schools" and their ill effects, the "Live Issue" says very pertinently:—

Children by the million for more than two generations have been handled in these schools where moral teachings founded on religion is excluded. They get a smattering of science of course. Some of them advance to the university where they listen to the grandiose flummery of atheistic professors who know a few things about the cosmos, but nothing about its Omnipotent Creator. Their religion, if their parents ever gave them any, is gone.

"Men bred thus, without Faith in God, enter politics and come into offices of honor, emolument or both, and take an oath to fulfill their duties conscientiously. What does the oath mean to them? Nothing."

"They accept bribes, they misrepresent constituents, they rob banks, they cheat the public, they defoul their homes with the indecencies of divorce and when brought into court they lift their right hand and call the God who will judge them one day to witness their falsehoods."

"Or they go into a gang like the Roses, Webbers and others, whose shocking tales during the Becker trial have turned us sick and dizzy, and they call upon God, whom they don't believe in, to witness their PERJURY."

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The Federation of Catholic Societies, both state and national, is a great and vigorous institution. It is a live organization and it believes in publicity. Like other societies, secular and religious, the Federation is strong on resolutions.

We notice some of our contemporaries rather deplore so much "resolutions" and insinuate that a paragraph of real action would be worth a column of lofty sentiment expressed in finely phrased resolutions.

To such of our contemporaries as have entertained and expressed such sentiments we beg leave to say that such is not the way of the Rochester Federation.

Its membership is up and doing. They put their resolutions into effect and action. Their support of the Catholic press is not by resolution only. They subscribe for Catholic papers, they advertise in Catholic papers and they support Catholic papers. The Rochester Federation is a practical body, made up of hard headed men who are possessed of common sense and courage.

Well, President Wilson addressed both the Union and Confederate veterans. Why not have done it first hand and saved all the fuss?

Three great baseball leagues seem to be able to find patronage.

As there is no real keenness of enjoyment without preceding pain so there can be no real success in life without attendant effort and sacrifice.

Three American Cardinals at the last consistory! And another who is a naturalized American citizen! Is it a flight of fancy to think of an American citizen in St. Peter's chair?

Pretty soon we'll be applying to the Mexican mediators that time-honored phrase, "off agin, on agin, gone agin, Finegan."

Would that the press understood its great power aright and wielded it accordingly!

A New York woman was convicted of horse stealing. We may yet hear of the feminine safe blower.

The house of lords rejects woman's suffrage. Ancestral portraits may now generally become hatchet faced.

Some folks who climb high think that every time a star twinkles it's nodding in recognition of their rise.

A scientist says that he has kept life in a headless body. The hat manufacturers, however, need not be unduly alarmed.

If, as scientists are now claiming, there really is life in the moon, how the folks there are enjoying the sights down below!

French peasants are moving into the cities, preferring motion pictures to posing for great painters as the men with the hoes.

One of the discouraging features of everyday life is to have to hurry a good story in order to allow a man time to catch a train.

Considering the shapes of shoes to which it is required to conform, the civilized human foot is not so disgraced as it appears.

Dancing, according to a physical instructor, is the best of exercise. It may be so, but that is not the reason so many indulge in it.

One of the most common delusions is that of the man who imagines that he is working for himself when he is grinding another's ax.

Bernhardt promises to make her "final farewell" next fall. Patti, from her place of retirement in Wales, is still to be heard from.

No public man can sit on the fence on the votes for women question with any sort of comfort—not if the suffragists see him there.

To be important is one thing; to look important is another thing—but to feel important! There you have the fellow who enjoys his own society.

Scientists have already determined that the Panama canal is not a canal. Strictly speaking, it is classed as a suspended maritime highway.

A Chicago university professor says the telephones of 1910 were ago were four feet long. The end seat boxes there, as a rule, were cigarettes.

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