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Lent

Once more the holy season of Lent is upon us. This period, wisely ordained by Holy Mother Church for spiritual sustenance to her children, is also wisely ordered from a worldly point of view.

If all this be true, from the worldly point of view, how much truer is it from the spiritual viewpoint? When we are all engrossed with plans for worldly advantage and social supremacy, to the exclusion of all else, how can we be in suitable frame of mind to give close attention to the supreme matter of saving our souls?

None of us is so devoted to Holy Mother Church, none of us are so spiritual that he does not need to add to his prayers and devotions. None of us are so devoted to the Holy Mother Church, none of us are so spiritual that he does not need to add to his prayers and devotions.

Let each one of us try to enter into the true spirit of the Lenten season and he will be surprised at the benefits derived, both from a spiritual and physical viewpoint!

The Bible Bill.

Why are such absurdly foolish bills introduced in the Legislature as those seen every year to compel the reading of the Bible in the public schools which are supposed to be free to the child of every citizen, without prejudice, and where no one's religious feelings or scruples are to be harassed?

Does not the compulsory education law compel the atheist to send his boy or girl to school? Why should the atheist child be compelled to listen to the Bible every day, any more than should the Methodist child be compelled to listen to the reading of the Koran? The Jew is compelled by

law to send his children to school. Why should he be taxed to have the teacher read to these children from the New Testament when it does not hold as part of the Divine Scriptures?

Catholics, for most part, send their children to their own Catholic schools at least in the urban communities. We support our own schools out of our own pockets and then turn in and pay our pro rata share of the expense of the public schools. We are called upon to pay a great part of the cost of teaching useless fads to the children of our non-Catholic neighbors. Are we now to be called upon to pay a great part of the cost of reading the Bible to these non-Catholic children, a task which should be performed, if they deem it necessary, by the parents at home or by the Sunday school teachers? In Catholic schools the religious instruction is not permitted to interfere with secular instruction. The Bible reading bills now before the Legislature of 1915, provide that such reading shall be done in regular school hours. Therefore, the taxpayers are called upon to pay teachers for one hour's time each week in each of the 36 weeks of school year. If there are 1,000 teachers in a given city then the taxpayers pay for 37,000 hours of teachers' time spent in doing something which should be done by parents or religious instructors outside of school hours.

The Greiner-Tallett bill should be defeated decisively as unnecessary, irrelevant and immaterial to the school curriculum of New York state, to say nothing of the useless bigotry it intensifies.

Firm Stand

President Wilson and the national administration have taken a dignified withal firm position with England and Germany regarding the latest war developments. England has been warned that while the practice of the flying of a flag of a neutral country, like the United States, by the captains of merchant vessels of a belligerent country may be justified by international law usages, nevertheless the practice should not be indulged in indiscriminately because such action might tend to prejudice the American shipping interests and this cannot be tolerated.

Germany has served notice that she intends to destroy, as far as possible, England's merchant marine and that if an English vessel should fly an American flag then Germany would feel justified in destroying such ships. It is inferred that because the Lusitania flew the American flag and so escaped destruction by the Germans, that in future Germany will disregard the flying of American flags and proceed to destroy all ships that come in the way of her submarines and other warships. This might easily result in a bona fide American ship being sunk. This is what the President protests against. Germany is warned that if any bona fide American ship is destroyed, Germany will be held strictly to account. Germany must be sure that the ship she attacks is really that of a belligerent power before she opens fire.

President Wilson is to be congratulated on the firm stand he has taken. Some of us have felt that this country was not taking a firm enough stand against the treatment accorded American ships and travelers both by Germany and England. In other words, it has been feared that in maintaining strict neutrality we were not asserting our own rights vigorously enough.

If these European countries must butcher each other, probably we cannot prevent it. But we can and must insist that they leave the United States and Americans out of their bloody strife.

Have you seen the bottom of your coal bin as yet?

A scurrilous attack was made upon Bishop Hickey, Very Rev. D. J. Curran and Rev. Thos. Condors by an anonymous writer in the Feb. 17th edition of the Union and Advertiser in which he scores them for their method of living. Undoubtedly this article was written by some narrow-minded bigot who hopes to influence the minds of Catholics against the Church and its clergy. We, as Catholics, are proud to know that our priests are able to live in a manner befitting to their station in life and we see no reason for the criticism made by the writer of this article who signs his name "reader."

A Good Bill.

We trust the Legislature will pass the bill prepared and introduced by Assemblyman Simon L. Adler for a state budget and providing a permanent budget clerk for the Assembly Ways and Means and the Senate Finance committees, the committees of the Legislature which handle the appropriation bills each year. This committee clerk will collect, tabulate and file for future reference all necessary data on present and past appropriations for State departments and state institutions.

No special appropriation bills will be passed but all will go into one budget and acted upon at one time.

It is a much needed step in advance of present methods.

No one who knows Monsignor Joseph W. Hendrick and his brothers was surprised to read the defense made by the Monsignor of Judge E. E. McCall against some of the peyancy attacks recently made upon him. The McCall family have been a useful one in New York state Albany and New York city. But they have the misfortune to have "Mc" as a handle to their name. And that is a high and mighty crime in certain quarters these days.

So the plumbers have to have the jokesmiths make fun of their business. Well, the way to stop that lies with the plumbers themselves.

Abstinence from one's favorite diversion or habit during the Lenten season is a salutary form of penance.

Are we to have "war" on the first pages for another year?

Are times worse or better now than they were four months ago? That depends upon the brand of politics you are espousing.

The Union and Advertiser gravely observes that the only way to stop publication of jokes on the plumbers and plumbing business is to legislate against it with severe penalties for violation. Well, legislation just as absurd is proposed gravely in some one or the other of the State Legislatures every day.

It must be a severe blow to the pride of the "Mistress of the Seas" that English ships must fly the American flag to avoid capture or destruction by the German warships and submarines.

German socialists now call for peace. Or is it the wicked English press that is putting forth such claims?

Judging from the flood of "Crocker pictures" in the press these days, the old Tammany chief must be in his second childhood or Mrs. Crocker must have engaged a crackerjack press agent.

Rochester's protest against the Greiner-Tallett "Bible reading bill" was a very effective one.

He Certainly Helps. Frequently a woman is accused of making a fool of a man when, if the truth were known, the woman, nine times out of ten, merely furnishes the opportunity, he completes the job. Florida Times-Union.

SEARCHLIGHTS IN WAR.

How They Are Worked by Distant Control in Land Operations. In modern warfare the searchlight is invaluable. On dark nights at sea it is the only means of guarding against torpedo boats, which its beams will reveal at a distance of two miles and more.

On shore it is the electric eye of the army. It is carried to all parts of the field of action by motor truck, and the motor that propels the vehicle drives the electric generator that supplies the current for the light. Most of these field searchlights are not directed by hand, for each instrument is fitted with what is known as the distant control. Two small motors govern the vertical and the horizontal movements of the light. From them an electric cable runs to the station of the operator, who, although he may be several hundred feet away, can send the rays of the light in any direction he pleases.

According to the Navy and Army Illustrated, one advantage of this distant control is that the objects picked up by the beam of light can be sighted more quickly and more definitely, for if the operator stands behind the light and looks along the beam his vision is hampered by a luminous haze. A second advantage is that the light can be placed in an exposed position without endangering the men who run it. Were the operator and officer beside the apparatus they would be certain to receive the fire that is sure to be poured upon a searchlight and would suffer the instant the range was found.

VIRTUE OF AN APPLE.

At One Time the Fruit Was Called the "Food of the Gods."

The apple has become so familiar as the commonest of all fruits that its value as man's greatest friend in the vegetable kingdom may not be fully realized. It was called the "food of the gods" because it was believed to be the magic renewer of youth to which the gods resorted when they felt themselves growing old and feeble.

There have been many mystic traditions about the apple, which has been credited with varied potency. It is the healing fruit of the Arabian tales. Latin chronicles and institutes and early English poems contain many references to it. Scientific analysis of late years has justified all the ancient glorification of this fruit, which has been found to contain albumen, sugar, gum, malic acid, gallic acid, fiber, water and phosphorus.

Malic acid of apples neutralizes the excess of chalky matter caused by too much meat and thereby helps to keep us young. Apples are good for the complexion, as their acids drive out the noxious matters which cause skin eruptions. They are good for the brain, which those same noxious matters, if retained, render sluggish. The acids of the apple diminish the acidity of the stomach that comes with some forms of indigestion.

The phosphorus, of which apples contain a larger per cent than any other fruit or vegetable, renews the essential matter of the brain and spinal column. -Boston Herald.

Does Your Spine Shiver? "A shivering spine," said a psychologist, "is the one infallible proof of an artistic temperament. Does a shiver run up and down your spine when you listen to beautiful music or read a lovely poem or look at a superb painting? If not the gates of art are closed to you forever. All great artists and all good critics experience this shivering sensation of the backbone before a worthy work of art. Some of these men use the shiver as a measure. The work that does not evoke it they pronounce a failure. My own spine shivers best to music. The violin solo that precedes the last act of Massenet's 'Thais' sets up in me a tremolo movement that wrinkles the back of my coat." -Exchange.

Napoleon as an Editor. The Almanach de Gotha was already of sufficient importance over a century ago to prompt a dispatch from Napoleon. On Oct. 20, 1807, he wrote to Champagny, his foreign minister, complaining that "the latest edition of the Almanach de Gotha is full of errors, no account having been taken of the changes wrought by me in Germany. Tell the minister from Gotha to call on you and inform him that this must be set right in the forthcoming edition. Insist on seeing the section devoted to Germany before the edition is published."

One of Many. "What kind of work could you possibly do around an office?" "I'm a kind of all around handy man, mister. I kin hold a door open, light a match for ye, look out an' see if it's rainin', call a taxi, drop letters down the chute an' tell folks yer out when ye ain't." -Life.

Speaking of Sponges. "I see in the paper here that the largest sponge ever found is three feet across and ten feet in circumference." "That's just about Uncle Squeezey's size, isn't it?" -Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Couldn't Expect Him To. Lady-I'm afraid you don't like work, my good man. Tramp-How kin I, mum? Work's wot killed my poor wife." -Boston Transcript.

Ominous. First Small Boy-We'd better be good. Second Small Boy-Why? First Small Boy-I heard the doctor tell mother to take plenty of exercise. -Los Angeles Examiner.

Undermuslins Corsets Blouses Dresses Suits Wraps Lu Nette SHOP for Women

REMOVAL SALE! Complete Clearance of Garments now on hand. On or about March 15, the Lu Nette Shop for Women will move into larger quarters in the new Garment Section on East Avenue.

Before removal we will institute a sale of the stock on hand at prices that will be but a fraction of their worth. We will not carry any of the goods now on hand to our new store; all must be new and fresh to start with. Mr. H. S. Graham, formerly with Jno. Wanamaker of New York and Philadelphia, and buyer of women's garments at McCurdy, Robinson Co. of this city, has become a member of this firm. It will be Mr. Graham's endeavor to show at the Lu Nette Shop all those up-to-date, dependable garments, which he alone knows how to provide.

It will be the aim of the Lu Nette Shop to cater to those who appreciate exclusive, modish, well-made garments at prices within the reach of all.

This Sale will include not only the Winter Garments on hand, but also the new Spring models in Suits and Dresses.

Tailored Suits for Women \$10.00, reduced from \$25.00 to \$42.50. Tailored suits in winter weights, of black broadcloth, navy broadcloth, plum broadcloth, navy cheviot, black cheviot. \$25.00, value \$35.00 to \$37.50. Tailored Suits, new Spring Models, black and white checks, gabardines, fine serges, covert cloth, short belted models and straight line effects, new circular skirts with or without yoke. Women's Coats In Winter Weight Suitable for auto and street wear, zibelines, pebble chevrons, broadcloths, diagonal chevrons, etc., all models mostly one of a kind. Mostly lined throughout with silk.

Spring Weight Coats for Women In green cheviot, gray mixed cheviot, black cheviot, black diagonals, duvetyne and white corduroy. 21 coats in all. \$5.00, were \$15.00 to \$23.50; \$7.50, were \$25.00 to \$35.00. Lingerie and Tailored Waists 50c, were \$1.00; linen, madras, crepe, \$1.00, were \$1.98 and \$2.50; voile, batiste, crepe, \$1.50, were \$2.98 and \$3.98; voile, batiste, crepe.

Crepe de Chine, and Messaline Silk Blouses \$3.50, were \$5.98 and \$6.98; black, navy, brown and white.

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