

# The Catholic Journal

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## Among Themselves

### The Socialists Myers and Hillquit

Socialists and their press speak and write most disparagingly of all those holding power in the present society which is said to breed tyrants and bosses who abuse their prerogatives. The inference, more or less implied, of course is this: in socialistic society there can be no bosses, since liberty, equality, and fraternity are supposed to prevail, as also justice and harmony. But in spite of such Utopian claims, tyrannous men and tyrannous methods may be observed, in socialistic colonies as well as outside of them. The accusations which Gustav Myers, a leading socialistic writer, author of such works as "Great American Fortunes", has just hurled at Morris Hillquit, known to our readers through his controversy with Dr. J. Ryan, "and his satellites", certainly does not prove that the "comrades" through Socialism have freed themselves from the vice of those they are so anxious to lead into a promised land.

Referring to the "Discipline" practiced by the German Socialist Party, Myers writes in the International Socialist Review: "Have we not seen it in the United States used to punish members or boycott and blacklist Socialist publications? To antagonize the machine has been equivalent to the crime of high treason, and to offend any of its leaders equal to the enormity of lese majeste."

"It may be excusable for me to point out at this time that it is now nearly three years ago since I deliberately chose to set an example of defying this sacred 'Discipline' and treating it with a justifiable and publicly-expressed disdain. Mr. Hillquit and his satellites in local New York no doubt have not forgotten that memorable occasion. For the high crime of having effectively retorted to Mr. Hillquit's cheap sneers an ancient pretext, some years old at the time, was suddenly trumped up against me, and I was 'summoned' to appear at the bar. This trick was sprung at a time, too, when I was absent in Canada, absorbed in writing my "History of Canadian Wealth." I not only showed my supreme contempt for the whole proceeding but exposed it, and the Canadian Socialist party, with a full knowledge of the facts, at once invited me to membership."

"This, Myers continues, is a personal note, but it well illustrated another point that you have so well raised of the abuses, degeneracy, paralysis, and even petrification that this system of 'Discipline' has brought about. Who can withhold scorn for a 'Discipline' under cover of which trickeries, subterfuges, compromises and contemptible and cowardly actions have been brazenly done?"

The pagans were wont to say of the first Christians: "How they love each other!" The virtues of Christian slaves won proud Roman nobles for the Nazarene. The example of Socialists accusing each other of trickery and boss methods will not, to most of us, seem like an augury of that harmonious or perfect society promised by Socialists as a sequel to their ultimate triumph.

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## Church Events

May: Month of Our Lady.  
Saturday, May 1, SS. Philip and James, Apostles; Monday, 3 Invention of the Holy Cross; Tuesday, 4, St. Monica; Wednesday, 5, St. Pius the Fifth; Thursday, 6, St. John Before the Latin Gate; Friday, 7, St. Stanislaus; Saturday, 8, Apparition of St. Michael the Archangel; Thursday, 13, Ascension Day; Saturday, 15, St. John Baptist de la Salle; Sunday, 30, Pentecost. May 10, 11, 12 are Rogation Days; May 26, 27, 28, Ember Days.

The Grand Cross of St. Gregory the Great has been conferred on the former Minister of Brazil to the Holy See.

## Foreign Mission News Are Arms Hidden Under Catholic Churches?

From Archbishop Dobresic, head of the Catholics in Montenegro, comes this cry of distress: "My miserable people are dying from hunger. In the beginning of the war a measure of grain cost \$1.00; now, March 10th, it costs \$5.00. The prices are growing more and more. Nobody in the world knows our misery. All Antivari and all parishes are waiting help from me."

The death announced of Mr. Grimes, S. M., Bishop of Christ Church, New Zealand. Bishop Grimes formerly spent some years in the United States.

Bishop Streicher, of Uganda, is another prelate whose district is sadly affected. He had a large number of priests and nuns and many establishments to support. All was going remarkably well until the past year.

"You cannot imagine," he says, "how heartbreaking it is to see the fruit of hard labor of years disappear before your very eyes. The foundations we had heretofore us many sacrifices, and we loved them more than our life."

"The spiritual situation is not less sad than the material. Our neophytes and catechumens are like sheep without a flock. Our only recourse is in prayer."

We have already spoken of the straits to which the Belgian missionaries in the Philippines are reduced. Fr. Raymakers makes this touching acknowledgment of an offering sent him:

"America is the star of hope for us at present. If you can continue helping us a little, we may weather the gale, but we are hard pressed and near ship wreck. I have just received a letter from our Superior General, now exiled in London. He says:

"Economize all you can in material things. Be saving of everything but your zeal, but do not restrain that. Also remain calm and sweet-tempered. God wills that we look to His hand for bounty, since He has permitted it to be withheld elsewhere."

## The Chinese of Montreal Have a Kwang Tong Missionary.

There are now about two thousand Chinese in Montreal. While the Canadian Government does not prohibit Orientals, it tries to limit their number by taxing everyone who resides in the Dominion five hundred dollars. The Chinese in Montreal come mostly from Kwang Tong, and are of the illiterate class. Fr. Montanari, formerly a missionary in Kwang Tong, is trying to make conversions, but he finds the work difficult and slow of results. He hoped to secure the services of a native catechist who has labored with much success in New York for some years, but this meant paying five hundred dollars entrance fee, besides his support. As he is a married man, the same sum would be required for each member of his family. Fr. Montanari holds Mass on Sunday and gives what religious instruction he can.

## Weekly Church Calendar

Fifth Sunday after Easter  
Gospel, St. John xvi., 23-30  
S 9 St. Gregory Nazianzen, B. C. D.  
M 10 St. Antoninus, B. C.  
T 11 St. Francis of Jerome, C.  
W 12 St. Nereus and Comp. MM.  
Th 13 The Ascension.  
F 14 St. Boniface, M.  
S 15 St. John Baptist de la Salle, C.

It gives us great pleasure to announce that The Ideal Catholic Series of Readers, including a Primer, a First Reader, a Second Reader, and a Manual for Teachers by a Sister of St. Joseph, will be published this month by The Macmillan Company of New York.

## Are Arms Hidden Under Catholic Churches?

It is here a chance to make some easy money. Catholic Churches are Always Open to the Public.

The Knights of Columbus of the state of Iowa will pay \$5,000 reward for proof that there is in the state of Iowa, or in the United States, in any church, or in any parsonage residence or school, any arms of any kind, rifle, or shot guns or other implements of warfare, kept or maintained or held by the church or by any organization of the church for any purpose except only such equipment as may be used in a known established and recognized military school which is open to full inspection.

This offer, which is still good, is signed by John B. Keefe, State Deputy, Sioux City, Iowa, and Rev. John T. Noonan, State Chaplain, Des Moines.

It ought to be "easy money" to a loyal Protestant if there is anything in this repeated story of arms hidden under Catholic churches. That it is an old story is shown by the way it figured twenty years ago, during the A. P. A. movement. In a history of that movement, by H. J. Desmond, we read (pp. 57-8):

"Our line of alarmist stories common in Know-Nothing days was widely revived in the earlier years of the A. P. A. This was the rumor of arms hidden under Catholic churches. For instance, at Toledo, Ohio, Deputy Sheriff Stanberry of Lucas county, and Rev. W. S. Brackney, a minister in West Toledo, went to visit the St. Hedwig's Polish Catholic church, which he believed was filled with arms and ammunition. He admitted he was deceived in so thinking."

The following Associated Press dispatch from Los Angeles, Cal., under date of Sept. 30, 1894, is interesting in this connection:

"J. K. Gosper, a local politician and an A. P. A. man, was invited to address the Unity club. In the course of his remarks he charged that under the Catholic Cathedral in this city were 500 stands of arms. D. F. Donegan, a contractor, arose in the audience, and displaying a \$1,000 silver certificate, declared that the statement was a lie, and that he would give the money to the A. P. A. if it were true. Much excitement followed. The chairman said that Gosper had violated the courtesy of the club. Gosper said that he had been told the arms were there."

## What an Anti-Catholic Paper Admits.

An esteemed correspondent asks us if we think there are guns or other arms in Roman Catholic churches. We do not think there are, to any great extent. There may be guns in some of them, just as there are guns in some Protestant churches, where there are "cattards" or "boys" brigades or other bodies of youth being drilled.

"Why should there be guns? They know they are not in danger of Protestants attacks. They feel perfectly secure. Protestants are not rioters, and they know it. Papists do not intend to bring on war with deadly weapons. They get all they ask for through peaceable methods—through politics and bluff. They don't need to fight for special privileges. These are their's for the asking. To have guns in their churches, if discovered, would mean certain defeat for their present pussy-foot methods."—[American Citizen, A. P. A.,] March 20, 1915.

It is very easy to visit Catholic churches. They are open all day, and the public is free to go in and out. Plumbers and steamfitters are constantly going into Catholic church basements. The police powers of the state and city give public officials full authority to

## Irish Minstrel

NEW CHURCH PROGRESSING. Work Being Rushed on St. Mary's in Danville—Open in Fall.

Danville, May 3.—Work on the new St. Mary's Church, now being erected in Elizabeth street, is progressing with great satisfaction to all concerned. The concrete foundation has been entirely completed and five courses of tapestry brick have been laid on top of that. As soon as the stone arrives a course of stone twelve inches thick will be put on.

The interior brick wall is also well under way. The timbers which are to be used as rafters for the roof are arriving daily and their great length attracts considerable attention as they pass through the village streets. The planks are 36 feet long, the longest that have been seen in Danville since the days of the old Erie and Genesee Valley canals when lumber was drawn to this place from all over Western New York and Northern Pennsylvania for shipment on the canal. A large gang of men is kept continually at work. The contractor expects to have the church ready for occupancy in the fall.

## India A Wonderland

Fr. Huysman, P. F. M., has been long enough in India to know the country thoroughly, and he considers it a veritable wonderland. He says it is studded with ancient fortresses, gorgeous temples and all sorts of highly architectural structures, which one never tires admiring. Most of the Hindu temples are the same in form and in shape: big, towering masses, very broad at the bottom, with two sides, front and back, longer than the other and running up like a pyramid to end with a crest, the whole covered with all sorts of pagan emblems. Generally the principal structure is in the middle, and it is surrounded by walls and galleries and other minor towers which form a tremendous assembly of accessories, awe-inspiring and forbidding like the religion it represents.

No European or unclean human being can even penetrate within the sacred precincts of those terrible abodes. There are besides, in various places of India, real fortresses, built ages ago, and these with the others testify to the highly national and religious spirit of the Hindu, which is marvellous indeed, or at any rate, has been so in past ages.

Many of these buildings are in ruins and abandoned, owing, I suppose, to the weakening of the old spirit; but there are quite enough yet of them to show what it was and how glorious old pagan India has been and still is.

## Archbishop Quigley Improved

Advices from Washington are to the effect that the condition of Archbishop James Quigley is improved. His brother, Chief of Police Quigley, reached the capital Thursday morning. The Archbishop, whose home is in Chicago, went to Washington to confer with the apostolic delegate in relation to church matters, and was stricken with an attack of heart disease.

Germany's at present greatest and most popular military chief, General von Hindenburg, is a deeply religious man and man of prayer.

Sister Mary Amadeus of the Alaskan Ursuline Convent at Seattle, has now five Alaskan novices destined for the mission in the glacial region.

The Sisters of St. Joseph have orphanages and schools in Ceylon. They are contending with many difficulties for want of resources.

## Catholic News Notes

Archbishop Keane of Dubuque has returned from the South much benefited in health.

St. Charles College, Maryland, has purchased nearly 300 acres of land from the Watts estate at Catonsville, adjoining the institution's property at Cloud Camp for \$30,000.

In the Sacred Heart Church, Fall River, Mass., a great retreat was given; 1,300 men attended it and over 300 attached themselves to the Holy Name Society.

The magnificent marble Cathedral of Buffalo will be dedicated on Monday, May 31st. Archbishop Bonzano, Papal Delegate, will sing the Solemn Pontifical Mass.

The late Rev. Cornelius Delahunty of Notre Dame University, bequeathed \$21,200 to Catholic charities.

The late Mrs. Elizabeth O'Connor of Philadelphia, left about \$80,000 to the Catholic institutions of that diocese.

Mrs. P. J. Lochman, V. G., has been appointed Administrator of the vacant See of Green Bay.

In the Archdiocese of Cincinnati, no less than eight structures are about to be erected in various parts of that Archdiocese.

## Irish Minstrel

Preparations are under way for the annual production of the great Irish Minstrel at Cathedral Hall on next Monday and Tuesday evenings, May 10 and 11, for the benefit of the St. Mary's Club. This is one of the most popular entertainments given under Catholic auspices each year in our city, and merits the generous patronage of all who are descendants of the Irish race or who sympathize with their history, religion and national ideals. In their production each year, the young men of the Cathedral, have made it a distinct step forward towards elevating the stage and forever doing away with "the stage Irishman." The grand minstrel chorus of fifty voices will be under the direction of Prof. Wenzel J. Doucek, M. A.

Michael J. Mungovan has planned and arranged for the entire production. Cathedral Hall is able to accommodate 1500 people each evening. Of this number, seven hundred are reserved seats and the popular prices will prevail. Reserved seat tickets may be obtained at the following places and hours: Gibbons and Stone, Saturday and Monday afternoons, from 3 to 6 o'clock, May 8 and 10th; Cathedral Hall, Sunday, Monday and Tuesday afternoons from 3 to 6 o'clock, May 9, 10 and 11th.

The rehearsals have brought out much talent and a more pretentious entertainment is promised this year than any of the past performances.

Not only will the orchestra be divided in part singing, but the chorus will be divided into separate parts and music lovers will find something new in minstrel productions.

As an added feature to this year's minstrel will number among the chorus the boy chorists of the Cathedral and soprano effects will be included, a feature seldom heard in a minstrel chorus. End men have been secured and the best amateur talent in the lines of soloists is promised for the two evening's recitals.

The business management is under the direction of Mr. John Garrity, who has put reserved seats on sale at the Cathedral Rectory. The stage direction will be in the hands of Michael Mungovan and he promises scenic effects never before seen in an Irish Minstrel.

An elderly friend of the Cathedral, Mr. Mungovan, was born in the town of Carrowmore, near Drogheda, in 1830.

The Cathedral Council has elected John J. Mungovan as its secretary.

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John Ryan, deputy clerk of the Crown and Peace for May, has been appointed register of the County Court, and secretary of Mayo County Council, in place of R. H. Ryan.

Some time ago, a young man, who was killed while serving in the British army, was buried in the British cemetery at Green Bay.