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MEN OF GOOD WILL

We are not anticipating Christmas; rather we are penning a message that in any Christian age or country should not have to depend upon a particular season or festival for its timeliness and its power.

Of late we have heard much of ambassadors of good will. An American boy glides peacefully to earth in a foreign city after a long stop flight over the ocean in an airplane; for all that he speaks of himself as "we," he has come alone.

Later he and other young heroes have accomplished similar results in other countries. Something of the simple and sincere glamor of the original romance is gone; for there are evidences in some cases, at least, of the entrance of a supposed propaganda element.

A President-elect of the United States celebrates his election by a visit to neighboring nations. Everywhere he receives most cordial greetings that are in some places even affectionate.

A supremely great French soldier, the greatest soldier of his time, goes down in the only battle that men, even the bravest of the brave, cannot win.

The beloved Marshal of France was dead. And the heart of the world went out to his widow, and unto his widowed Nation in expressions of enthusiastic admiration for his life, and poignant regret for his death.

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Things That I Love

Things that I love are soft gray things When they are put together: A silvery grandmother dear, like you, The mist of Irish weather.

Things that I love are strange wild things When they are put together: The nervous call of a robin's mate, A brook in the new spring weather.

Things that I love are gentle things When they are put together: The soft silk touch of an April shower, A wood-creature's downy feather.

- Angeline Hughes.

acular gesture of American fearlessness, but in the simple and sincere thought that there he could accomplish the most good. Perhaps you have seen in press illustrations the picture of him, in simple morning dress, almost in the center of the most distinguished group of men now living upon the earth.

There died recently an Episcopal Bishop renowned nationally and internationally for his ardent will to serve humanity, and for his unselfish efforts to accomplish that will. His death came close to us.

There is one little word more. Even if men over all the earth must differ in a hundred ways of thought, sentiment and action, why must the voice of good will be so rarely heard, and why must it be so often merely the voice of admiration or of sympathy, or of both?

THOU ART THE SELF-SAME

Current literature is again over-playing novelty. Now and again humanity breaks forth in this way. True we have not here a permanent abode. As human mortals, we are constantly looking for novelty and change.

Our changing conception of God is the theme of current literature. All must be altered to meet the new discoveries of knowledge, not wisdom. We must get a new God to fit in with all these new theories, not facts, of scientific investigation.

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THE MASS

The Mass is the Last Supper of Christ over again—the most sacred ceremony of the Catholic religion. By the Mass the Blessed Eucharist and Crucifixion are perpetuated. Everything in the Church centers about the adorable sacrifice of the Mass.

GALVANI, DISCOVERER IN ELECTRICITY, WHO GAVE THE WORLD GALVANIZED IRON AND THE GALVANIC BATTERY, WAS A CATHOLIC.

infidelity and atheism. If they are to be obeyed today, it should only be when their precepts may be proved to square with the best national social science of the present time. Indeed the modern scientific student is not a murderer nor a thief for he stands for the repression of anti-social actions.

We are all interested, more or less, in science. We stand in admiration at its revelations, discoveries and some of its hypotheses. But we cannot in justice to ourselves, exchange our birthright for the mess of pottage.

MORE COSTS IN EDUCATION

Robert E. O'Brien, writing for the February Journal of Educational Sociology, gives some data on the cost of Parochial Education in Chicago. It is always well to broadcast such facts, so that our Catholic people may know that their investment in the business side of the Catholic religion is a safe and just one.

by the parish is \$35 per month. The elementary public school teacher of Chicago receives a minimum salary of \$1500 per year, which is increased \$125 each year until a minimum of \$2500 is reached.

Supervision of instruction in the parochial school costs nothing. Supervision in the public schools costs money. Priests and Diocesan officials, in addition to parochial and curial duties, volunteer their services gratis.

The idea of what it would cost a municipality in addition to its present rate of taxation were all the parochial schools closed, finds place in M. O'Brien's survey. Readers of the Immaculate Conception Magazine will recall how ably and well this same reasoning was presented by the late Father A. M. O'Neil.

No public funds may be used in Illinois to support or assist private or church schools. Chicago has the problem of raising annually \$3,638,480 by endowments, diocesan support, sale of articles, tuition and contributions of parishioners.

costs. Few, if any schools, kept a record of these items.

The needs of the local parish govern the rate of tuition charged and the strictness of its enforcement. One school charged three dollars a month; 181, charged one-dollar; fourteen, charged seventy-five cents; three, charged fifty cents.

At first sight this report may seem too meticulous, if not ridiculous. But there may also be just one inkling of the element of prophecy in it. It may not be our concern now, but it certainly will be the concern of the next or second generation of clergy and laity in the Catholic Church to meet and settle the matter of finance in Catholic Education.

WORDS OF WISDOM

When the Holy Father speaks all his children should be at attention. He speaks with authority, and therefore his children should do what he says. Under date of November 12, 1928, in a letter to Cardinal Bertram of Breslau, the Holy Father gives some sound advice to all.

One requisite only is put down—the layman must be Catholic. There are no qualifications on age, sex, social condition, culture, nationality, politics. He who refuses to accept Catholic teaching, or who questions the authority of the Church, is barred.

When you become impatient with puerile newspaper articles, silly "movies," playless plays, mystery stories that fail to mystify, cacophonous radio music and noisy, meaningless twaddle of various kinds, please remember the twelve-year-olds who must be amused.—The Tidings, Los Angeles.

Sunday's Liturgy

By Rev. Joseph L. Lord

April 14: The Second Sunday after Easter

(Prepared for the N. C. W. C. News Service by the Liturgical Press, Collegeville, Minnesota.)

During this glorious after-Easter season our holy mother the Church presents to us in her liturgy the life of the risen Christ. Our Redemption is accomplished, and we may look forward in faith and with love to the hope of eternal life, which is participation in Christ's Resurrection.

us and for the Church which is His Body.

In the Introit for today's Mass we read: "The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord." All nature, even the heavens, revels in the love of Christ, for "by the word of the Lord were they made."

In the Epistle St. Peter tells us to look upon the Saviour as an example that we should walk in His steps, "who did no sin, neither was guile found in His mouth—who Himself bore our sins, in His body on the tree that we, being dead to sin, should live to justice, by whose stripes you were healed."

Lamb of God who took away the sins of the world. But in concluding he puts Him before us as our Shepherd: "For you were as sheep going astray; but you are now converted to the shepherd and bishop of your souls."

In the Gospel from St. John our Lord proclaims Himself the Good Shepherd, because "the Good Shepherd giveth His life for His sheep." He identifies our interests with His, for the good and well-being of the sheep is likewise the good of the Shepherd.

They are made to His image and likeness and all can belong to Him. But we, to whom it has been given to belong to Him; we, who know Him who knows us; we cannot doubt of God's love for us, of the way he legislates and provides for us, in

His watchful care of us. We know the culminating proof of His love: the "Lamb slain from the beginning of the world."

Let us, therefore, ever draw closer to our divine Shepherd, that we may live in His love, that His last prayer may be fulfilled: "Father, I will that where I am, they also, whom Thou hast given Me, may be with Me; that they may see My glory which Thou hast given Me because Thou hast loved Me before the creation of the world."

Missouri Bible Bill Beaten Jefferson City, Mo., April 11.—The lower house of the Missouri Legislature has just defeated a bill which would have required the reading of the Bible in the schools of the State.

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