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A WOMAN OF DISJOINTED THOUGHT

"THE blood of the martyrs is the seed of the Church." The flattering unction of martyrdom is too soothing to a distressed or distorted spirit to be obstinately, or even mildly. thrust aside. Ever since the proverb first gained general acceptation, it has been heard on the lips of thousand who would not give a straw to enter the kingdom of heaven unless they could enter it in a state of mutilation. either literally, as when torn limb from limb by the enemies of the true faith, or metaphorically, as when they are afflicted with all manner of evils quite beyond the endurance of any class of mortals save veritable martyrs. Every "teacher of disjointed thinking" in matters of religion, and every disjointed teacher of the truth, has entered with zeal upon crooked, forbidden, or unusual paths mainly through the inspiration of a yearning for martyrdom, actual or metaphorical. The world at large relishes sensations of every degree. A man may pass a hundred dogs on the street without deigning to notice any one of them, provided always that each one of the hundred trots along on all fours, as it was intended that dogs should do. But a hundred men will stay their pace to contemplate a dog standing erect, like one of themselves, and trutting about on his hindmost legs alone. So a hundred sturdy masculine divines may lay down the law and expound the prophets to empty pews, while the apparition of a delicate woman in the pulpit will draw together the good, the bad and the indifferent, the well-dressed habitual church-goers and the rag-tag and bob-tail of humanity as well.

The widow Van Cott is one of those anomalous and disjointed creatures, and, as a matter of course, she has succeeded in drawing a crowd. The people of Philadelphia, it is true, are yet strangers to her face, but she has repeatedly of late appeared in the pulpits of New York, and gone through the entire programme, from the first lesson to the doxology. By some crook in the machinery of the Methodist Church, she has secured a license as a "local preacher," and under this sanction has insisted upon her right to proclaim the glad tidings to all who might choose to listen to them when coming from her lips. But, in a recent sermon, she complained of the reception she had encountered. Not that the world has refused to listen to her, for such has not been the case: but she has encountered scorn and contempt since she began to preach, and she therefore lays the flattering unction of a foretaste of martyrdom to her soul. And, as might be anticipated, she finds the sensation rather agreeable than otherwise. She declares stoutly that she "could stand it all," and moreover that she is "proud of her sex"-certainly both very pardonable and commendable traits. When a woman loses her pride in her sex, she is very far gone; and when she finds the world too much for her and sinks into despair she is certainly to be pitied, for the mistake she has made in challenging the scorn and contempt of the world, if not for the very burden of her woes. But the widow Van Cott professes to be called to the work, and inquires pathetically if it would not be sinful for her to refuse to listen to the call. "If," she asks, "a man by exercising his talents and the strength that God has given him can bring souls from darkness into the light, why should not the woman strive to increase the army of the Lord by engaging in the same labor when she feels she has been called to do it?" In further support of her position, she recounts the history of the women who figured so nobly and prominently in the closing scenes of the great tragedy which is made the foundation of our faith, and cites the unquestioned fact that none of them were rebuked for being out of their appropriate place. She neglects, however, to recall the circumstance that each one of these women was called to the simple work of quiet and unobtrusive ministrations, and that from the ranks of their sturdier mates the apostles were exclusively selected. If the disposition of the two sexes made by the Founder of the Christian faith in the work of evangelization goes for aught, it certainly establishes the fact that at the outset a clear distinction was made between them, and each was assigned to a particular sphere, in strict harmony with its qualities of head, heart, and limb. With a few anomalous exceptions, this distinction has been maintained by all branches of the Church from that day to this; and although it may have been reserved for the widow Van Colt, Miss Olympia Brown, and a few other choice spirits of these latter days, to discover that the Church during all this time has been systematically depriving herself of the use of a grand element of strength and a powerful wespon of aggression, it is barely possible, we submit, that the practice of eighteen centuries goes some lengths towards rebutting the presumption. In short, we fear that the widow Van Colt is but a counterpart of the erratic Anna E. Dickenson and the irrepressible Doctress Mary E. Walker. The elevation of their sex will give them all work enough for the period of their natural lives; but if their passion for notoriety and quasi martyr-Com is too overpowering, they will one and all give up the ghost before their true work is fairly in hand.

THE INDIAN MASSACRES.

Dunno the cold weather there is no trouble whatever with the savages on the plains, and they are only too glad to accept of shelter, food, and clothing, and to make any number of promises of good behavior. As soon as the warm weather sets in, however, the thirst for blood begins to excite them. They slink away from the custody of the Government officers. and so long as they can obtain subsistence for themselves and their horses, they defy the military, and slaughter men, women, and children in the detached settlements with perfect impunity. The latest accounts of the massacres by these savages are more horrible than anything in thatdine that has been lately related. The tongues and hearts were cut out of the dead bodies, the calves of the legs slit down and tied under the shoes, pieces of flesh cut from the backs, pieces of telegraph wire stuck into the bodies, ears cut off and heads scalped, with other_disgusting performances of like character.

That the Quakers, with their peace policy, will ever be able to do anything with such brutes as these is extremely doubtful, and while we are perfectly willing that any policy rather than that which has been adopted here tofore should be tried, it cannot be denied that the prospects of success from the endeavors of the Quakers are greatly circumscribed by the limitations which have been imposed upon them. It is to be feared, moreever, that the Quaker plan of settling the Indian difficulties is based upon a sentimental idea of the Indian character, which is as mythical as the famous treaty of William Penn, no record of which exists beyond the very vaguest tradition. The genuine savage of the Western plains is a very unsentimental being, and all experience shows that nothing but a very decided policy will answer in dealing with him. Matters have now come to such a pass, and the alternative ought to be presented to Mr. Lo to settle down and become a decent, hard-working citizen, or to submit to extermination.

For the present condition of affairs the United States Senate is directly responsible, and it should be forced upon the minds of the members of that body that the people will hold them individually responsible for the Indian outrages in the future. This is the only way to strike at the root of the whole trouble. By refusing to transfer the Indian Bureau to the War Department, the Senate tacitly gave its endorsement to all the villanies of the agents, and became a participant in their crimes. It is well known that the refusal of the Senate to accede to a reform in this instance was due to the fact that it would throw a large number of the personal friends and appointees of Senators out of office. The Indian agents almost openly acknowledge that they accept the positions for the sake of plunder, and of the two the Senators who support them are the greater criminals. Hitherto the Senate has escaped with very mild censure, but if such outrages as those which are now being perpetrated by the savages are continued, the "upper house" should be made to feel the weight of public indignation; and every Senator who makes an effort to support the present villainous system, or who will not give his voice and vote for a total abandonment of the Indian Bureau as it is constituted at present, and the inauguration of a radical and complete reform in the method of dealing with the savages, should be held up as a mark for public indignation and contempt. Decided and positive action is needed on the part of the press and public, and it is the United States Senators that need to be brought to terms far more than the brutal red-skins, whose bloody performances are but the natural result of a corrupt policy that has its main support in the National Capitol.

it is asserted that the Pope already regre having ordered the Convocation, and intenpostponing it indefinitely.

But, on the other hand, it is evident th all the necessary preparations for the meetin are being made. One of the largest chape of St. Peter's, capable of holding three tho sand persons, is being fitted up, and the di ferent commissions for the arrangement the Council have been appointed, and ever thing appears to move on uninterruptedly A chronicle of matters relative to the futu Council is regularly published at the office the Civilta Cattolica, in Rome.

The question as to the eligibility of bisho who have no dioceses, or are only coadintor has not yet been decided. Such prelates, is well known, hold titles to extinct Sees. partibus infidelium, and are vicars apostol in missionary districts. It is not likely th they will be excluded, for the ability, learnin and piety of a majority of these bishops w add much to the intellectual strength of t Conncil. Contrary to the usual practice such occasions, no representatives of t crowned heads of Europe will have a voice the discussions, or even be permitted to a tend. It is supposed that its sessions will no continue for more than a year, for there a no questions that demand the same attentio and careful examination as those discussed 1 the Tridentine Council, which convened 1545, and by different prorogations was pr tracted until 1563, during which time fi successive Popes reigned at the Vatican. confirmed and established the decisions ma by the previous Councils of many centurie No new dogmas, it is believed by those mo familiar with the spirit of the present Roma Catholic hierarchy, will be proposed, althou some of the doctrines heretofore general believed and undoubtedly held by the Churd will probably be defined, and more strict i junctions given to the people as to the regious training of youth, and demanding purification of the moral atmosphere of t

THE EXPENSES OF COLLECTOR AND ASSESSORS.

One of the tasks devolving upon the prese administration is the stoppage of the various leaks in the Government offices by which t money of the people is diverted from t Treasury and put into the pockets of offic holders and hangers-on. It is not to be hope or expected that the utmost vigilance w succeed in discovering all the swindles th are perpetrated, but much can be done, a we are glad to see that the effort is bei made

A committee has been appointed by the Treasury Department, to consist of thr clerks from the offices of the Fifth Audite and the First Comptroller of the Treasu and the Commissioner of Internal Revenu for the purpose of establishing a uniform sy tem of allowances for rent, offices, and oth necessary expenses of collectors and assess of internal revenue.

It is said that some of the charges made f office rent are most extortionate, and clear out of all proportion with what ought to the legitimate expenses. If this is so, an vestigation and reform are certainly need It would be well, too, for the Treasury I partment to make some regulation by wh assessors and collectors would be obliged keep their offices open at convenient hou Some of these officials, in sections of the c remote from the business centres, are only attendance during that portion of the when it is impossible for many persons wait upon them without serious inconver ence and loss of time, and there is entire too little disposition to do anything for t accommodation of the public.

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THE ECUMENICAL COUNCIL.

As THE time for the meeting of the Ecumenical Council approaches, public attention is the more attracted to the movement. The invitation of Pius IX to other denominations to aid in its deliberations, although startling and suggestive, has already been positively declined by the majority of those to whom the appeal was made, while some have treated it with marked respect, and seem to be actuated by an earnest desire to co-operate with him in a union of the Churches. A number of the Greek and Armenian prelates manifested a disposition to attend, but their Patriarchs refused to heed the call of the Pope, and consequently none but that portion of the Eastern Sees already attached to the Latin Church can do so. The Jansenist Bishops of Holland, who have, since the condemnation of their founder, been separated from Rome, and yet always appealing to the decision of a General Council, will undoubtedly accept the invitation. This will excite some speculation as to the result of their presence. It will revive the memories of two centuries ago, when Jansenius wrote the Augustinus-of his successors Arnaud and Saint Cyran-of the keen sarcasm of Blaise Pascal, their defender -of Mere Angelique and the community at Port Royal, whose blameless and pious lives, and earnest advocacy of the new interpretation of the writings of St. Augustine, challenged, for the time, the admiration of nearly all Europe, and threatened the destruction of Ultramontanism.

But the sessions of the Council are to be held with closed doors, and there will be no publication of its debates, and a revival of the war with Jansenism cannot take place, for the voices of five or six Hollanders among four hundred ecclesiastics from all parts of the world will be entirely lost, and the "bull" of Innocent X, declaring heretical what he termed the "five propositions", be certainly confirmed. The Bishops from Holland will probably yield, for they now acknowledge the infallibility of such a Council; and in that case Jansenism will cease forever. It is possible, however, that they may refuse to abide by the decision, and remain with their flock of one thousand souls, a separate communion as heretofore.

Many predict a great diversity of opinion, and an early disruption of the conclave, and

The internal revenue taxes, and especia the income tax, are sufficiently onerous a annoving without being supplemented the discourtesy of the Government employe who appear to think that their own con nience is alone to be consulted.

A CRISIS IN CUBA.

THE latest intelligence from Cuba is certain of a startling character. The administration of Dulce has utterly failed to conciliate t Spanish element of the population of (island, although he has heartily acquiesced all the bloodthirsty doings of Valmaseda, t commander of the troops, and exerted himself the utmost to satisfy the imperious deman of the volunteers. On Wednesday morning deputation from this insubordinate and v dictive organization invaded the palace of Captain-General, and did not retreat until th had extorted from him an unconditional an immediate resignation, refusing even to gi him time to receive instructions fro Madrid by the cables. The voluntee branded him as an ally of rebels to his face, and by a formidable displ of force carried their point. As the rest the volunteers are now the actual governi power of the Spanish portions of the islan and are engaged in removing all the ge ernors and other high officials who are avowed advocates of the most bloodthin policy. De Roda, the butcher, is on ocean, and his arrival in Havana may be look for any day. His entrance into capital city of the no longer faithful isle doubtless witness an official inauguration of policy in entire accordance with the sen ments of the volunteers. This will bring revolution to a crisis, and by thorough arousing and uniting the whole native of ment of the population, will doubtless acces rate the day of Cuban independence by seve months.

EDUCATIONAL CONVENTIONS .- During the mo of August, the city of Trenton, New Jersey, will the place of meeting of three different National F cational Conventions, the proceedings of which be of importance to all who are interested in training of the young. The most prominent edu tors in the country will be in attendance for entire week. The association of State Superin dents meets on Monday, that of Normal School F pals and Teachers on Tuesday, and the General A ciation of Teachers on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday. The arrangements for these meetings already considerably advanced towards comple Papers or lectures have been promised from the lowing distinguished educators :- alven of the time and place of departure,