

Thoughts For Our Time

By His Eminence Cardinal McGuigan
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Children are living advertisements of their homes. If they come late with dirty or torn clothing, unclean hands, teeth and shoes; if they are impudent, quarrelsome, dishonest or profane, we know where the blame lies. Parents are the natural teachers of their children. Compared with their influence, which extends throughout the 300 days of the year and for the greater part of every day, that of the school is quite secondary.

Nothing is more personal or intimate than home life. Its effects on accent, manners and personality are obvious. Unconsciously, but inevitably, children imitate their parents. If the parents are refined, courteous, considerate, their children will reflect these qualities. If, on the contrary, they are coarse, rude, selfish, vicious, profane, mendacious, dishonest, intemperate, quarrelsome, these vices will appear in the children.

No parent would deliberately set out to teach his child any of the grosser vices, but they do indeliberately and very effectually teach them. The irreligious parent showing no regard for his Creator or for the claims which that Creator has for reverence, gratitude and worship cannot expect his child to be any better than he is. If he uses coarse or profane language or calls with the names to the members of his household, how can he expect them to speak, as the Gospel puts it, "rightly?"

The child who hears violent and profane language at home will use it on the street and in his dealings with other children. Perhaps the day will come when he will call his father or mother what he has heard them call each other. It is hard to think of a more painful experience than for a parent to see his child, who has been especially to be called names which a guilty conscience cries out—"this is what you have taught!"

The least God demands from parents is good example. It is not enough for them to provide for the body of their child. The state will see to it that they shelter, feed, clothe and give some education. But this will not satisfy God. He demands adequate care of the soul.

He created man to know, love and serve Him and thus use the life which He has given. The parent must therefore teach his child the fundamental truths and duties of religion. Among those duties worship occupies an important place. But worship presupposes knowledge of what or whom he does not know. Whoever knows God will love Him and try to reach Him, live with Him and, so far as he

can, possess Him. The process of possession involves conformity of will. Our Lord expresses that when he taught us to say: "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven." That is the fundamental law of life. All nature obeys or does the will of the Creator. Man alone refuses to do it and the reason he refuses is because he does not know God.

This is why the religious school offers far greater assistance to the parents in the education of their children than one in which religion is not taught. The former gives God the place he deserves in forming the ideas and shaping the character; the other merely provides ideas and ideals of material value. The religious school tries to make them successful in this world.

No church made the law which binds parents to teach their children. The law came from God long before the Ten Commandments. He made it when He made human nature. If through parental indifference, negligence or defiance a child should grow up without the knowledge of God which is essential to service here and salvation hereafter, it is evident that the Lord will hold his parents responsible.

Yet, the school cannot do all. It cannot supply the good example of Christian life. That must come from parents who know the law of God and keep it. It must come from the home in which prayer is the rule and the endeavour to imitate Christ in daily practice. Of their own conduct parents must be able to say to their children: "This do and you shall live."

When we think of the glorious opportunity parents have to make saints of their children, of the wonderful material God gives them to work on and of the Divine model He supplies in His Incarnate Son, it is hard to try to grasp that failure even to try to grasp that opportunity and thus fulfill their vocation. They are made co-operators with God. Conceive what that means. The faithful parent blesses the world with good citizens, the community with good neighbors and heaven itself with saints.

God gives them the material; He furnishes them with models not only in His Son, but in countless men and women in every conceivable circumstance. He gives the directions in His holy law and His competent instructor in His Church. He leaves nothing wanting. The failures are human. Men and women misuse the material, refuse to obey the laws, neglect to copy the Model. The result is what we can see in a godless world, a wicked generation and a sinful people.

BULLETINS FROM BIRDLAND

WINIFRED E. WILSON



RACIAL TRAITS

Anthropologists divide the human race roughly into three groups: the descendants of Shem, Ham, and Japheth. The task of the ornithologists is not quite so every bird can be traced to the simple, though the ancestry of Archaeopteryx. Nevertheless, there are certain definite groups into which birds fall, as distinct from each other as a Chinaman and an Englishman.

This may sound too scientific for an amateur bird lover, but even a beginner should learn to identify the various members of the same family. Let us take merely a few outstanding examples. Instead of trying so hard to know a Wood Thrush when you see or hear one, try to learn to recognize any Thrush. Notice the bright, black eye, with a perfect ring around it which gives the bird the appearance of staring, the general brownish colouring with more or less distinctly spotted breast, the size, smaller than a Robin (really a Thrush also), and the appealing, melodious voice.

Later you may know the Wood Thrush by its very distinct breast markings; the Hermit by its red-brown tail, and the Veery by its general chestnut coloration. Their songs and calls will be learned by experience.

As Sparrows belong to the large group known as seed eaters their stout, conical shaped bills are designed for cracking this food. Brown is the main colour of the 30 or so varieties which can roughly be divided between those with and those without streaked breasts. Fortunately, the locality in which one is seen helps immensely; for instance the Savannah Sparrow is always found in a meadow or on a prairie.

Warblers are a very difficult group to learn. There are approximately 40 varieties, averaging about 5-14 inches in length, with tiny, dark bills. Many have at least some white about them, many have some black, and a very large majority have yellow. They are very sprightly in their movements, with bright little voices.

When you come across a new bird, watch it as long as possible, making careful notes as to its surroundings, the kind of food it seems to be looking for, the way it flies, whether its bill is long

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CITY POLICE COURT—At the Stipendiary Magistrate's Court Friday, a man, charged with theft under the amount of \$25, pleaded guilty to the charge and was remanded until today for sentence. A man charged with gross indecency was remanded until today. Three persons charged with being drunk and incapable appeared. One was remanded for seven days, while the other two were both released after being in jail since June 23rd.

like a Woodpecker's or very short and flat like a Swallow's, its chief colours, if it has any especially significant mark — as a crest, a white rump, or wing-bars. Then try to decide into which of the main divisions it should go. The pictures in a good bird guide should then give you your answer. Do nestlings eat much?

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TO ATTEND PAINTING SCHOOL—Mr. A. L. Wright left on Saturday to join a painting school under the noted New York painter John Laurent. The school of painting and sculpture is held yearly at Ogunquit, Maine, from July 3rd to September.

SUPREME COURT—In the Supreme Court here on Friday Mr. Justice M. R. MacGuigan dismissed with costs the appeal of Robert Tinson Holman vs. the King, from a conviction of operating a motor vehicle while intoxicated. Counsel for the appellant was Mr. R. R. Bell, K.C., for the Crown, Mr. J. P. Nicholson.

RETURN HOME. — Messrs. Pat Murray, deputy minister of Agriculture for Newfoundland and John C. Crosby of St. John's returned home on a Maritime Central plane on Saturday after having spent several days in the Province. While here they attended sessions of the Agriculture Institute of Canada conference.

NEW GLASGOW MILLS JUNIOR FIRST AID CLASS—Mrs. Blair M. Andrew, a qualified Red Cross First Aid instructor, organized and carried through to a successful conclusion a Junior First Aid Class in New Glasgow Mills school during the last few months. The final tests were carried out on June 22nd by qualified Red Cross First Aid instructors and the following pupils merited Junior Certificates: Doris Blair Andrew, Nellie Andrew, Marjorie Cole, Pearl Nicholson, Freddie Andrews, Elizabeth Cole, Shirley Moffatt, Helen Younker.

Mrs. Pitre To Be Tried On Intimidation Charge

QUEBEC, June 30—(CP)—Trial on a witness-intimidation charge was ordered today for Mrs. Arthur Pitre, prominent figure in Quebec's airliner time-bombing case which has led to a murder conviction against one man and a charge of murder against another.

The 41-year-old woman will be tried next autumn on a charge of threatening a girl witness last June 14 at a hearing for Genereux Ruest, Mrs. Pitre's brother, who has been committed for trial on a murder charge.

The Crown accused Mrs. Pitre of trying to suppress testimony about an incident concerning herself, Ruest and J. Albert Guay, Quebec jeweler due to be hanged next Jan. 12 for plotting the wreck of an airliner that carried his wife and 22 others to their death.

Three witnesses who appeared in Mrs. Pitre's case today said she told 20-year-old Marguerite Lachance:

struck before and I can strike again."

The Lachance girl had been called to testify that Ruest had advised Mrs. Pitre to commit suicide after the plane crash Sept. 9 when police sought a woman who took a mystery parcel to the ill-fated airliner.

Mrs. Pitre today had nothing to say at her brief hearing. Judge Roy extended until her trial the \$2,000 bail fixed when she was charged.

Both Ruest and Mrs. Pitre were major witnesses at Guay's murder trial last March. Mrs. Pitre told of the parcel delivery to the airliner and the watch-maker told of making a time-bomb with an alarm-clock mechanism for Guay.

LONDON, July 2—(AP)—Prime Minister Liaquat Ali Khan of Pakistan arrived today on his way home after a visit to Canada and the United States.

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True Success Story

By F. H. MacArthur

Samuel Langhorne Clemens (Mark Twain) was born in 1835 in Florida, Missouri. The Clemens were poor folk and when the father died in 1847 the family found themselves in such straitened circumstances that it became necessary for the twelve-year-old Samuel to quit school and go to work to keep his widowed mother.

But what kind of work should this youngster do? The issue was settled by Mrs. Clemens who decided to give Samuel an educational background by having him learn printing. So the tiny member of the family was packed off to the Hanibal Journal where he worked for six years.

The urge to travel now got into the youth's blood and for the next three years his itching feet carried him across the States of New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Iowa, earning his way by doing various jobs that fell to his lot.

The three years' trek whetted Mark's appetite for further adventures, and to satisfy that urge he became a pilot on the Mississippi River. His ready wit and a passion for having some of life's red plums made him a general favourite among all classes.

The end of the Civil War also brought an end to his work on the famous old river but Clemens was not yet ready to settle down. For the next five years he did considerable roaming about his native America, prospecting for gold, writing odd jobs and end of stuff for the press and making a study of his fellow-men.

The knowledge picked up in those five years laid the groundwork so vastly absorbing and amusing. I repeat the word amusing because Mark Twain is greatest of all the American humorists and certainly ranks high among the world's greatest laugh-makers.

The Jumping Frog of Calaveras County came from Clemens' pen in 1867 under the nom de plume of "Mark Twain." That name came from his experiences on the

Mississippi and perhaps from the call of the leadmen to the pilot, namely, "the boat has two fathoms of water under her and a safe channel." Some folks, however, claim that the man who kept the tally always said, "mark twain" meaning mark two. Anyway, Clemens used the nom de plume when he handed the editors his story and the name stuck for the rest of his days.

Another of Twain's laugh books is "Innocence Abroad." This story is woven around the tour which he took in 1867 to the Mediterranean Countries and the Holy Land.

In writing "Tom Sawyer," Mark Twain had only to take a leaf from the story of his own childhood, while in "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," he pictures the lives of the simple living folk who dwell on the banks of the Mississippi, just as they might have appeared to young Finn, who with all his shortcomings, was nevertheless a real boy.

All that Mark Twain wrote or said was interesting and many of his sayings have become famous. While Huck Finn and Tom Sawyer were written for boys, both stories have a strong appeal to men, and there are few readers in America or in the Old World, who have not devoured and laughed loudly at Twain's masterpieces.

Personally, I am most fond of Twain's "Joan of Arc." Unlike his other books this one is written in a more serious vein and tells the story of the great French heroine in a masterly yet soul-warming way.

Author Clemens made a lot of money by his lectures and books. He knew the value of humor and laid it on thick. It was what the public wanted and he handed it to them on a silver tray. But, strange to say, Twain was almost flat broke in 1895. He was then 60 years of age. What became of all the money he had made? Well, the author's life on the Mississippi had gotten him into bad living habits. He spent his money about as fast as he earned it, and some of it vanished as a result of unwise business ventures.

But Mark Twain was too honorable a man to avoid paying his just debts. So he set forth on a

world lecture tour that earned him another modest fortune.

Now famous, great crowds flocked to hear the humorist wherever he set foot. Like Charles Dickens, he could always hold his listeners by the sheer magic of his words.

"Joan of Arc" was not written until after his world tour. Nor was this his last book, he continued to write almost to the very end of his life, which came in 1910.

NEW HAVEN W. I.

The meeting of New Haven Women's Institute met on June 7th at the home of Mrs. Duncan Gass. The meeting opened by singing Ode and repeating the Creed in unison.

Nineteen members answered roll call with an article for the Grab Bag. One member paid her fees. Proceeds from Grab Bag amounted to \$1.85.

Minutes of last meeting were read, approved, and signed by the president.

Proceeds from pantry sale held recently amounted to \$30.39. Reports of various committees were heard. It was decided to get prizes for school children as usual. The correspondence was read and discussed.

Mrs. Roland Buchanan, Sr., and Mrs. Clarence Frizzell were appointed to attend annual meeting at the Orphanage, with Mrs. Artie MacPhee as substitute.

Bills amounting to \$3.97 were paid. Mrs. Hugh MacDonald was elected to have three-minute talk at the convention.

The Institute News was distributed among the members. Collection was taken and amounted to \$11.8.

The next meeting is to be held at the home of Mrs. Brewer Boyle, roll call to be answered with soap or surf flakes for box to be sent to England. The meeting closed with The King. A dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

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