

Christendom at his feet, looking so sad and careworn. As the Papal cortege moved slowly through the Sala Regia and the Sala Ducale to the Sistine Chapel for the anniversary High Mass of the Pope's coronation, one could not help admiring the impression of strength and courage conveyed by Pius the Tenth. While scanning the faces of that stately double line of savants attached to the Rota, the Consistorial Congregation, and other bodies, of Generals of religious Orders and Congregations, of Bishops, Archbishops, Patriarchs, and Cardinals, I found indications of more sternness, and perhaps more keenness; but I failed to find an expression that combined so many qualities of mind and heart, so capable of inspiring the faithful with hope and courage, as that of him whose coronation we were celebrating. As the privilege of saying the anniversary Mass for a Papal coronation belongs to the first Cardinal created by the Pope, Cardinal Merry del Val was Celebrant on the occasion. His Eminence, fully vested in the sacristy of the Sistine, awaited the arrival of the procession and the Sovereign Pontiff. Pius X. wore a beautiful white cope and stole, and bore the Papal Tiara, all studded with precious stones, on his head. Notwithstanding the intense heat of the Sistine Chapel, heat which seemed to make itself pretty well felt among the Diplomatic Corps and the Roman nobility, the Holy Father seemed to experience no inconvenience. Towards the end of the function, when the Celebrant proclaimed the granting of a Plenary Indulgence by his Holiness to all present, the Holy Father pronounced the Benediction in a strong, resonant voice that seems to gain in sweetness as the years go by.

UNITED STATES—Polish Newspapers

Polish papers (says *America*) are published in every large city of the United States; and there are among them five daily papers and thirty-one weeklies; the rest being monthly and semi-monthly. Many of them are given to literature and the latest developments of science and art, and keep fully abreast of the times.

Church for Deaf Mutes

For the first time in history the deaf and dumb are to have a church of their own. It is to be provided in New York. The news was announced at a Mass for mutes celebrated in the Church of St. Francis Xavier, New York, by Father M. J. McCarthy, S.J. Two hundred and fifty mutes were present from New Jersey, Brooklyn, Staten Island, New Rochelle, Manhattan, and The Bronx.

Cardinal Vannutelli

It is understood that Cardinal Vincent Vannutelli, the Legate at the Eucharistic Congress, has promised to be present at the consecration of St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, this month. The Cardinal Legate may remain in America about two months. After the close of the Congress he will visit the Catholic Summer School at Lake Champlain, and then go to Washington, where he will be received by President Taft.

MOSAIC WORK

There is one branch of industry in which women threaten eventually to oust their male competitors, according to a correspondent. It may come as a surprise to hear that some of the finest mosaic work in the world, which is to be seen in the Catholic Cathedral at Westminster, has been done by feminine hands.

Mr. Bridge, the contractor for the work in question, employs women mosaic workers almost exclusively. 'I have found that women generally have a better natural gift for mosaic work than men,' he says. 'They have a more discriminating eye for the finer shades of coloring and a better sense of what the general effect of a finished piece of mosaic work should be. When the mosaic work in the chapels of St. Gregory and the Holy Souls was being done I had about thirty women and girls continually employed for more than three years. Many of them were quite young girls, but seemed to have a decided talent for mosaic, and soon developed into skilled workers.'

Down in the depths of the Cathedral crypt a skilled woman mosaic artist could be found at work. This was Miss Martin, whom Mr. Bridge counts the cleverest of all his staff. Indeed, he goes so far as to call her the best mosaic worker in the kingdom. Miss Martin was busy over the early stages of a mosaic over the altar of St. Edmund. Her subject was St. Edmund himself blessing the city of London. By her side was a large colored cartoon of the saint, and with an occasional rapid glance at this for guidance she was, with marvellous fidelity, reproducing the scene in glittering mosaic of a score of different hues. To watch her at work one might think that mosaic work was the easiest thing in the world.

Apparently all Miss Martin was doing was to chop off little fragments of colored glass and press each into its place on the cement which formed the bed of the mosaic. There was no measuring or planning out; the artist seemed, despite her rigid material, to work by eye alone, and yet there was the face of St. Edmund, with a glorious gold halo, growing, with a startling fidelity to the original, under her rapidly working fingers.

Domestic

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A New Use for Milk.

Flames from gasoline or petroleum will be at once extinguished if milk is poured upon them. Milk forms an emulsion with the oil, and so does not spread; but water is quite ineffective, and only tends to scatter the flames.

To Clean Rugs.

Heavy rugs should never be placed on a line for cleaning, as the weight is apt to break and stretch the rug where it crosses the line. The best possible arrangement for the purpose is an old set of bed springs placed on the grass. Spread the rug upon it and beat with a carpet-beater. The dust drops through, and is carried away by the wind, while the rug is not injured in any way.

To Embroider Buttons.

All that has to be done is to mark out the background material with circles of the size required, allowing enough margin to turn in neatly; within the circles embroider some small flower, sprig, or other device, procure some wooden button moulds, cover them with the embroidery (previously ironed), and finish the backs tidily with a little piece of the material.

A Cake for Diabetic Patients.

Take one ounce of German yeast, four tablespoonfuls of lukewarm water, sixteen ounces of desiccated cocoanut powder. Mix into a paste, adding a little more lukewarm water if necessary. Leave in a warm place for thirty minutes. Then add two eggs (beaten up in three or four tablespoonfuls of milk), and a little salt. Mix well. Place into sixteen small dishes or tins (well greased). Bake in a moderate oven twenty or thirty minutes. Almond cakes may be made in a similar manner, using almond flour instead of cocoanut powder.

Split Hair.

When the extreme ends of the hair appear split, it is always advisable to have the hair clipped or singed. In either case it is better not to do it oneself, but to get a hairdresser or some friend to do the little service. For clipping it is only necessary to comb the hair out carefully, and using a very sharp scissors cut the ends, or, if desired and the length of the hair permits it, an inch or so may be cut. For singeing divide the hair into small strands, and wind each round a finger of the left hand. Then with the right pass a lighted taper quickly over the twisted hair, not allowing it to catch fire, but only to singe the tips.

A Sewing Machine Secret.

If the sewing machine runs hard and heavy, take out the screw that holds the footplate, remove it, and you will be surprised at the amount of fluff accumulated there. Clean the little grooves, and under the whole of the plate with a penknife. The needle must be taken out before the work is begun. This is often the only cause of the machine running hard, and it is a secret that the agents will not tell you.

A Meat Mould.

The following is a very nice and easy method of using up meat that has been left over. Almost any kind of meat does. It is a nice breakfast or picnic dish. Take a few slices of cold veal, a few slices of cold ham, two hard-boiled eggs, some finely-chopped parsley, some thick stock. Boil down some bones, so that the stock will form a jelly when cold. Sprinkle the bottom of a nice mould with parsley, put in some slices of hard-boiled egg, and if at hand some pieces of cooked beetroot, then some pieces of meat, ham, and parsley. Fill up the mould with layers of the various things. Season the stock and fill up the dish with it. When the mould is firm turn out and serve.

Insect Pests.

With the advance of summer myriads of insects follow in its wake, that are by no means welcome to human beings, and any remedy that will ward off attacks or lessen the ill effects of bites or stings is always welcome. Certain aromatic oils seem to be disliked by some insect pests. Oil of lavender, for instance, often serves to keep away flies. A small sponge may be advisedly sprinkled with a few drops of the oil and placed in a saucer or vase near the door or window through which they are likely to enter, or several pieces of sponge thus prepared may be set about the house. Some people seem to have a special attraction for flies, and they may be recommended to keep a lavender-sprinkled sponge near them when sitting down where flies are numerous, and also by the sides of their beds at night, as near to the head and face as possible, while the oil may be used for rubbing the skin of exposed parts of the body. If this does not keep off insects a lotion consisting of a drachm of eucalyptus, ½ oz of spirit of camphor, and 1½ oz soap liniment is practically certain to do so, a very little being rubbed on the forehead, neck, and instep (if low shoes are worn), wrists also if necessary.

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