

It tute a case of exceptional gravity. It was impossible to foresee or conceive of such a measure. It will have its echo in the condemnation and protest of impartial people, not only in France, but in every other country, says the article. It represents "the last and most brutal step in a situation pre-pared by the government of the French republic. "When it was intended to leave the churches in France to the clergy," the article continues, "the Beach endthouse the formed to the leave the churches in France to the clergy," the article continues, "the French government imposed conditions which could not be accepted without an indecorous surrender of the rights of the church. The French government wanted war. The first shot fired, as Premier Clemenceau calls it, shows that injustice and absurdity are com-peting together shamefully. The forci-ble entrance of the residence of Mon-signor Montagnini besides being un-justified, is absurd, and it is also ab-surd that the stronghold of the church should not have a guardian for the archives relating to 20,000,000 French-men.

"It is true the pope appointed bish-ops without consulting the French gov-ernment," the article goes on, "accord in this matter being impossible, but the pontiff did not violate the concordat or renounce it. In any event and even renounce it. In any event and even admitting that the regulations of the concerdat had ceased to be operative, the situation did not authorize the violating of the vatican archives, which rontained documents of interest to other states besides France. "The French government has zefused

to see in the pope a common father, and considers him only as a foreign sovereign. Well, this foreign sovereign has the right that his house should not be violated and his archives and papers be violated and his archives and papers be not touched or searched by any one," declares the newspaper, "When such an affront has been perpetrated he has the right, without awaiting the judgment of history, to denounce it be-fore the tribunal of the civilized world as a gratuitous offense, an offense, however, which will bring more shame end bars to those who commit it than however, which will bring more shame and harm to those who commit it than to those upon whom it is inflicted. The French government is grossly mis-taken if it thinks with such procedure to inlimidate the French clergy or to break down the dutiful and legitimate resistance of the church. This rude offense to the supreme authority of the pontiff is but a new argument for him to continue bravely in the same path." There is a broad and far-reaching to continue bravely in the same path." There is a broad and far-reaching movement on foot to express sympathy and loyalty to the pope under the present circumstances, and expressions of such sentiment are being received from churchmen all over the world. from cardinals down to the humblest relative in Barge batware the month from cardinals down to the humblest priests. In Rome, however, the mani-festations of sympathy are not unant-mous, for today the anti-cellcal clubs raised flags aloft, tonight their build-ings illuminated, and they have issued manifestoes to celebrate what they term the "triumph of civil liberty." Some anti-clericals even attempted to Some anti-clericals even attempted to placard the colonnades of St. Peter's placard the colonnades of St. Peter's with anti-vatican inscriptions, but they were prevented by the police. An anti-clerical demonstration is being organ-ized for next Sunday. The authorities probably will not allow it to be held in public, but it may be permitted if held in a hall with tickets of admission. The vationa is convinced that the The vatican is convinced that French government, with what church officials call "Briand's blackmailing officials call "Briand's blackmailing ircular" and the offense against the rights of man committed when the gov-ernment expelled Monsignor Montag-nini and took possession of the papal archives, has placed the position main-tained by the church on a sound basis, which insures her the moral support of all rightminded people. Referring to this support. Cardinal Merry del Val, the papal secretary of state, said: "It is essential to victory." The vatican has already designated mother prelate to take the place of Monsignor Montagnini for the purpose of facilitating communication between the holy see and the French episcopacy

In the cathedral at Rennes to listen to Archbishop Dubourg's exhortation to obedience to the pope. There was an en-thusiastic demonstration when the archbishop left the cathedral. So far as church property is con-cerned, the episcopal manion, the rectories, the seminaries ,etc., prelates of all rank are prepared to accept the notices served upon them to move out to-morrow, after protesting and refusing to sign documents of dispossession. It is reported tonight that dozens of diocesan societies are in the course of formation at the last moment, in various departments. PROTEST FROM AM. CATHOLICS. Chicago, Dec. 12 .- At a special meeting here today of the board of gover-nors of the Catholic Church Extension society of the United States, resolutions vere adopted denouncing the recent actions of the French government as "atrocities," and branding as "outra-geous thefts" the seizure of ecclesiastical property, and appealing to man-kind for redress. Copies of the resolution, which was signed by Archbishop Quigley and the other governors of the society, were telegraphed to President Roosevelt, the house of representatives at Washington, the pope at Rome, King Edward and the British parliament, and to all the foreign ambassadors at Washington CRISIS AROUSES INTEREST. New York, Dec. 13 .- The crisis in the and the French ogevernment is at-tracting much attention in Catholic circles here. It was reported yester-day that Cardinal Gibbons will summon the archbishops and bishops in America to a special meeting if the French premier carries out his de-clared policy of expulsion and whole-sole confiscation of church property and that the American prelate will send through Cardinal Richard a letter to their French brethren. It was strongly hinted too, that Arch-bishop Farley himself will make a statement in a few days if affairs continue in France as they have begnn. The Times today, in a dispatch from Paris quotes Cardinal Richard on the situation as follows: "Please let American Catholics know from me," the cardinal is reported as saying, "that what the French govfrom ernment is trying to do is to bring about disunion between Catholic be-lievers and their priests and between priests and bishops. But they are not succeeding and will not succeed. The union between these elements is com-plete. Persecution has had no other effect than to bring us all closer together

melined to side with the government. Seven curates at Ternes, department

tion of the church by freethinkers, us-ing to this end every arm permissible



New York, Dec. 12 .- Secy. of State Elihu Root was the guest of honor at the eighth annual dinner of the Pennsylvania Society of New York, held tonight at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel. More than 700 members of the society were present. Secy, Root responded to the toast "The United States," and

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said: "What is to be the future of the states of the Union under our dual system of constitutional government? "The conditions under which the clauses of the Constitution distributing powers to the national and state government are now and henceforth to be applied are widely different from the conditions which were or could have been within the contempation of the framers of the Constitution, and widely different from those which obof Cantal, have sent a letter to the local commissary of police, declaring they will resist with their lives any profanatained during the early years of the republic. Few of the men of 1787 would have deemed it possible that the Union they were forming could be maintained among \$5,000,000 people or legitimate defense. There was a riotous demonstration at spread over the vast expanse from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the lakes to the gulf.

There was a riotous demonstration at Nancy today while the bishop was mov-ing out of his residence. A crowd of 2,000 accompanied the officials to the residence, hooting them constantly. The bishop will be prosecuted on the charge of assaulting a policeman, because he laid bis hand upon a policeman's shoul-der while he was leaving his residence. "Three principal causes have made this possible. The first has been the growth of a national sentiment which was at first almost imperceptible, but der while he was leaving his residence. Five thousand persons gathered today which was kept constantly before the minds of the people by the early struggles of the nation, and which was sanctified and made enduring by the sacrifices of the civil war. The second great influence has been the working of free trade among the states. To this Mr. Koot said, "we owe an internal trade which already exceeds the entire foreign trade of the rest of the world and to it we owe in a high degree the constant drawing together of all parts of our country in the bonds of common interest.

"The third great cause is the mar-velous development of facilities for travel and communication which have broken down the barriers between the separate communities and led to a reorganization of business and social life along lines which for the most part altogether ignore the boundaries of the states,

"Such changes in the life of the people cannot fail to produce corres-ponding political conditions. Some of these changes can be plainly seen now in progress. It is plainly to be seen that the people of the country are coming to the conclusion that in certain important respects the local laws of the separate states, which were adequate for the due and just regulation and control of the business which was transacted and the activity which began and ended within the limits of the soveral states, are inade-quate for the due and just control of the business and activities which extend through all the states, and more power of regulation and control is

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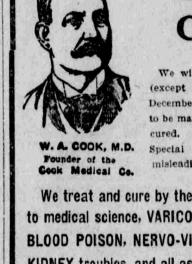
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the holy see and the French episcopacy and clergy. The name of this man, however, is kept secret to avoid "per-secution." secution.

Several months ago Monsignor Montagnini asked the papal secretary of state to allow him to return to Italy because of the death of his mother. The secretary replied that he would be glad to grant this permission, but he wanted Monsignor Montagnial to consider to grant this permission, but he wanted Mousignor Montagnini to consider whether it would be opportune to leave his 1 st at a moment when the French government might seize the occasion not to allow him to re-enter France. Monsignor Montagnini therefore re-mained at his post. This incident is worthy of recording, as it proves that Cardinal Merry del Val foresaw the possibility of the expulsion of the indi-vioual who represented the papal au-thority in France as indirectly as did Monsignor Montagnini. Monsignor Montagnini,

PARIS CLERGY'S APPEAL.

Paris, Dec. 12.-The clergy of Paris issued special appeals tonight to their farishioners to be present at the churches at the first mass celebrated suiside the rale of law. The govern-ment, however, proposes to proceed tently. These services will not be broken up, but policemen will be in at-tendance to note infractions of the law and dite officiating priors or their as-sistants before the nearest justice of the peace. The chief danser of disorthe peace. The chief danser of disor-ders in Paris is belie of to be in the porsible invasion of churches by raw-dies and freshinkers. Reserves of gen-darmes will be stationed tomorrow at various points throughout the city to guard against trouble of this sort.

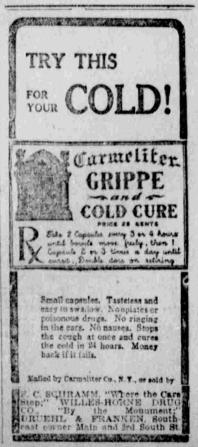
The offorts made by certain members of the chamber of deputies and other of the chamber of deputies and other disinterested persons to secure a con-tinuation of services in charefres in spite of the papar veto, by iz furing Catholic laymen in each parish to make the forbidden declaration, have not thus far met with much success. Up to a late hour tonight the church of Si. John the Evangel was the only church where such laws, avoid setting the factors where such legal application had been

New indications are against unything which might be dignified by the three of religious war, and the prompt ex-culsion from France yesterday of Mgr. Montagnini, recretary of the rapal nun-dature here since the recall of the FRANCE HAS GONE MAD.

New York, Dec. 13 .- Bishop James A. McFaul, of Trenton, at a dinner given in the New Jersey capital last night in his honor, spoke of the present situahis honor, spoke of the present situa-tion regarding the church in France, He said the French government had gone mad, but predicted that there would be a reaction. "However indif-ferent French people may appear." said the bishop, "they caunot forget that the glory of their nation is inseparately bound up with Christianity. Besides, the time will come when God himself will intervene and declare: "Thus far shalt thou go and no farther." On his first visit to the vatican, about

On his first visit to the vatican, about six' weeks ago, Bishop McFaul said the pope, speaking of the French situation, said

"It is not separation, dt is destruction. How I wish that the church en-joyed the same liberty in the rest of the world as it does in the United States. There the state attends to its own concerns and allows the church freedom to carry out her divine misslon.



power of regulation and control is gradually passing into the hands of the national government. Sometimes by an assertion of the interstate com-merce power, sometimes by the asser-tion of the taxing power, the national government is taking up the perform-ance of duties which under the chang-ed conditions the separate states are no longer capable of adequately per-forming. The federal anti-trust law, the anti-rebate law, the railroad rate law, are examples of the purpose of the people of the United States to do through the agency of the new govthe people of the United States to do through the agency of the new gov-ernment the thing which the separate state governments formerly did ade-quately, but no longer do adequately. "The end is not yet. The process that interweaves the life and action of the people in every section of our country with the people in every other section continues, and will continue with in-creasing force and effect; we are urg-ing forward in a development of busi-ness and social life which tends more and more to the obliteration of state

ness and social life which tends more and more to the obliteration of state lines and the decrease of state power as compared with national power; the relations of the business over which the federal government is assuming control, of interstate transportation with state transportation, of interstate commerce with state commerce are as

commerce with state commerce, are so intimate, the separation of the two is so impracticable, that the tendency is so impracticable, that the tendency is plainly toward the practical control of the national government over both. New projects of national control are mooted. Control of insurance, uniform divorce laws, child labor laws, and many others affecting matters formerly entirely within the cognizance of the

state are proposed. "I submit to your judgment, and I "I submit to your judgment, and I desire to press upon you the earnest-ness I feel, that there is but one way in which the states of the Union can maintain their power and authority under the conditions which are now before us, and that way is by an awakening on the part of the states to a realization of their own duties to the country at large. Under conditions which now exist, no state can live unto itslef alone and regulate its affairs with sole reference to its own special inter-ests. Every state is bound to frame own convenience, its own special inter-ests. Every state is bound to frame its legislation and its administration with reference not only to its own spe-cial affairs, but with reference to the effect upon all its sister states. Every Individual is bound to regulate his con-duct with some reference to its effect upon his neighbors, and the more pop-ulous the community, and the closer individuals are brought together the greater becomes the necessity which constrains and limits individual con-

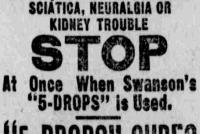
duct "It is useless for the advocates of state rights to inveigh against the su-premacy of the constitutional laws of the United States or against the exten-don of national authority in the fields of control where the states themselves ind in the performance of their down of control where the states themselves tail in the performance of their duty. The instinct for self-government among the people of the United States is too strong to permit them long to respect any one's right to exercise a power which he fails to exercise. The gov-ernment by national control which they down lust and peocessor them mult ernment by national control which they deem just and necessary they will have. It may be that such control could be better exercised in particular instances by the governments of the states, but the people will have the control they need either from the states or from the national government, and if the states fall to furnish it in due measure sconer or later construction. measure sooner or later constructions of the Constitution will be found to vest the power where it will be exer-cised, in the national government. The cised, in the national government. The true and only way to preserve state authority is to be found in the awak-ened conscience of the states, their broadened views and higher standard of responsibility to the general public, in effective legislation by the states in conformity to the general moral sense of the country and in the vigorous ex-cresse for the general nublic good of ercise for the general public good of the state authority which is to be pre-

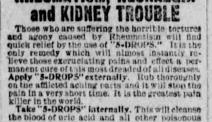
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