

SOLEMN FIRST COMMUNION.

St. Peter's Catholic Church, New Iberia, La.

"Awake you, O children dear, The Lord is waiting for you." 'Tis the month of the Sacred Heart—hasten to Him. His heart is lonely. He stretches forth His hand to greet you, to help you ascend the hills—to stay your step when on the incline. The morning is bathed in soft floods of sunlight. The birds sing their praises—the cool dew is on the grass—all nature sings in unison "Vive Jesus, Je Suis Garde D'Honneur."

It is First Communion morning at St. Peter's Church and over 200 boys and girls garbed in their best, their hearts in their pure eyes are waiting to receive the body and blood of Christ. The hour is at hand. A grand procession was formed from the church yard and the organ plays softly. Mass begins and beautiful hymns are sung by the children. English hymns and French hymns alternately. Rev. Canon Peeters assumes the Herculean task of preaching four times. So strong is each Sermon, his theme so well expounded that one is at a loss to say which is the best. Every word rings true thro' the crowded edifice. The Celebrant of the Mass, Rev. J. M. Langlois, gives to his dear children the "Bread of Life." And each little heart is bowed in deep respect, deepest love and joy.

Breakfast is served adjoining the Church; then the dear children enter again the Church of God to be invested with the Scapular. An act of Consecration in English is recited by four little Convent girls, whose voices blend in one. The French act is by three boy boarders, also of the Convent. Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament crowns the beautiful day "Holy God We Praise Thy Name" is sung by all, and its echoes reach the ears of the outside world. A few minutes, a few prayers by the Pastor who stands in the Sanctuary with arms folded, gazing lovingly upon the "Little Army" he is sending forth to "Battle in the Field of Life." What thoughts crowd upon him as each child bends the knee to the Altar and departs. 'Tis a most solemn moment, a moment that brings along sadness with the fleeting joy. How many souls will return victorious. How many fall by the wayside? How many for Heaven? O Sacred Heart gather them all to Thy Sacred Heart, protect them, save them, keep them pure and strong.

As usual in New Iberia, the Sanctuary is graced by the presence of friends of the Pastor, friends whose faces have become so familiar to the congregation, that each one has his place in memory. Following are the priests, guests of Rev. J. M. Langlois: Rev. Bardy, Jeanerette; Very Rev. Peeters, St. Martinville. Very Rev. M. Grace, S. J., Grand Coteau; Rev. Chamards, S. J., Grand Coteau; Rev. Keller, Lafayette; Rev. Blanc, Cecilia; Rev. Solignac, Loreauville; Rev. Massebaut, Patterson; Rev. Castel, Broussard; Rev. Colliard Delcambre; Rev. Janssen, Abbeville; Rev. Cathrin, New Iberia, and lastly, the Celebrant, Rev. J. M. Langlois, Pastor of New Iberia.

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Louisiana's quota of the National Guard is 8,000 men. She has a population of 1,700,000 people. Certainly she ought to send to the war at least one full regiment of volunteer infantry. Yet, as a matter of fact, Col. Frank P. Stubbs' fine command, which is winning praise for its military qualities from the highest experts, still is 344 men short of its required strength. It has 1,822 men of the 2,166 it must have.

Reduced to the necessity, the command finally will make up the deficiency from the increment of the selective draft. But it should not be said of Louisiana that, in a national crisis like this, the patriotism of her young men was of such a quality as to make this recourse necessary.

Most of the New Orleans volunteers are in the Washington Artillery. To the First Louisiana New Orleans has furnished a full machine gun company. But many of the country cities must still supply men to complete the companies they have contributed to the regiment. Houma, Natchitoches, Crowley, Leesville, Monroe, Baton Rouge, Ruston, Bogalusa, Donaldsonville, Amite City, Lake Charles, Shreveport, Alexandria and Jennings still owe men to make their companies complete.

Men who can pass the physical examination for admission to the First Louisiana and who are not exempt under the selective draft cannot avoid service in the war. Patriotism aside, selfish considerations alone ought to impel such men to cast their lot with this Louisiana regiment. They will go to war under highly skilled and experienced officers and that means much to every soldier. They will have the benefit of contact in their inexperience, with splendidly trained soldiers and that will enable them the more quickly to learn the duties of a soldier and become fit to take care of themselves. They will live in camp, march and go to the front with their friends, and that always makes for good spirit. If they are wounded or become sick, they will be better off among friends than among strangers.

Col. Stubbs is planning to send recruiting squads through the State immediately. If each parish would contribute only seven men the deficiency would be more than made up. Some have sent none. It is to be hoped that the trip of the recruiting officers will bring home to enough Louisianians the loss of prestige Louisiana will suffer if her only regiment has to be filled up from the outside to impel them to join the colors and fill the regiment to its limit.—Daily States.

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Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA

(Advertisement.)

Brazil, has taken over the German ships in its harbors and will restore them to service. While it has subtracted somewhat from the supply of shipping, Prussian "frightfulness" also has added hundreds of thousands of tons of German and Austrian ships to democracy's available supply.

SECRET AND DIRECT SUFFRAGE IN PRUSSIA.

Copenhagen, July 4.—The radical and socialist German papers print an appeal addressed to the government in an attempt to revive a slumbering reform movement demanding the immediate introduction of a bill establishing universal and equal secret and direct suffrage in Prussia. The signers are all men of national prominence. Most of them have hitherto favored the postponement of this reform until peace and several have been opposed to equal suffrage. The latter are now convinced, however, that postponement until after the war may mean defeat of all reform.



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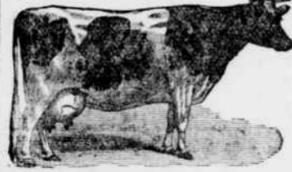
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