EUROPE'S GRAND OLD MAN What he sinned in particular, they said, these, written to his brother on March 13

Actual Condition of the Famous Resident of the Vatican.

WANING DAYS OF POPE LEO XIII

Wearing Effects of Time Shadows His Old-Time Vigor-Some Unpublished Letters of His Earlier Years.

ROME, Sept. 29 .- Despite all assertions to malady believed hereditary in his family, softening of the brain. Of this disease two things. Usually this is a preliminary of of his brothers died. The most recent was genility or of a return to second childhood. Cardinal Joseph Pecci, at one time a member of the Jesuit order and who, during the last few years of his life, had sunk into a above, nor need they any more detract from state of second childhood. It would seem, however, that this statement about the pope contains exaggeration, just as there is in the optimistic statements of Dr. Lapponi, the and beyond the bedroom and the slitting pontiff's private physician. Thus while the well-informed vatican attendants whisper that his holiness is barely a shadow of his former self, and that dotage and senife decay are visible in all his words and actions. Dr. Lapponi proclaims that his august patient was never in better health. The truth

Hes midway between these two statements. Leo XIII is 88 years of age, a period begond which the prolongation of human exist-

was his parsimoniousness. He was at that of that year, he says: time Cardinal Camerlingo. The accusation may have been incidental to the office. At any rate, it has persisted to this day, Each one wishes to elect as pope at once and in the best informed clerical circles in that cardinal whom he prefers, from whom Leo XIII. takes great pleasure in contemplating heaps of material riches. is considered an open secret in the vatican that there exists a strong room, of which which he retires almost daily to be alone with the treasures it contains. It is affirmed that of late his visits there have been more frequent and more prolonged than at any epoch in the past. The facts connected with this strong room, it may be said in passing, have been exploited by M. Zola to a pitch the contrary, Leo XIII is showing in an ex- of exaggeration that borders on the puerfle traordinary degree the wearing effects of and the ignoble. The existence of a similar time and of his sacred ministry. It has been storehouse, obviously, is no indication of asserted that he manifests symptoms of a moral evil. It is a well known foible of the aged to develop an attachment to precious senility or of a return to second childhood. Other facts pointing in the same way do

not call for any more explanation than the esteem of the pontiff.

The pope's range of private apartments has for some time past been diminished, room, which form practically one spartment with it, he does not move, except to some mass or to take part in some important public function. During the greater part of the day he is seen only by two persons, Mgr. Angeli, secretary of the Latin letters, and Pio Centra, his faithful body servant. From Centra the pope has no secrets and their intimacy has always been of the closest.



the passage of each day and with the accomplishment of each successive task the pontiff's vitality is diminishing in what seems almost a geometrical progression.

Leo XIII never thinks of econom

health. He does nothing in a half-hearted way. He rises from bed to write down a Latin verse that has come to him in the them. night, and he will throw as much energy into discussing an article of the Gazette de France preaching resistance to his policy. and he will thereby exhaust himself more tal jubilee received from the sultan of Turthan in fulfilling the multitudinous and key was recently the cause of a typical wearisome duties of his sacred calling.

His great renovator is sleep. After a fatiguing reception of enthusiastic pilgrims. who seek individually to get the most they can out of him, the pope is in the habit of withdrawing for a brief spell and sleeping off his weariness. This has always been his custom, but in the earlier years of his reign there was less occasion for it than there is

Public Esteem.

father was very reserved, and a reception of pilgrims, when it occurred, was a quiet enough affair. But that event brought a more of the type of an Anglo-Saxon ecchange with it. Esteem and popularity clesiastic than of a domestic of Latin race. were obviously his, and he rapidly grew to And, fortunately, he has the quality of bescenes that pilgrims love to indulge in as Italian could cope with his holiness in his It is pathetically interesting to witness

the spasmodic movements of satisfaction in which he vents himself, waving blessings on every side, as he is carried forth from the scene of delirium into which the people have worked themselves up after he has tary of state arrived, he desisted and proconversed with them in the Sistine chapel. ceeded to put order in the sleeping apart-"Are not you, too, of opinion?" he asked the other day of an Italian cierical jour- the pillows, and there before him lay the nalist, after one of these scenes, "that the ring. His holiness apparently had not repopulace of Rome would now acclaim me moved it when retiring, and in sleep during if I went abroad in the streets?" It was an the night had passed his hand under the indication of his belief and satisfaction in pillow, with the result that the gorgeous the improved popular appreciation of the ring was removed from the slender finger pope, for Pius IX's very remains were and there remained. And yet, when inmobbed in the streets of Rome as they were formed of the fact, he would have his way being carried to their place of final repose. | that it was Centra who misplaced the ring. But each successive public audience is a criterion of the condition of Leo XIII's The human side of the pope is not the

apartment to wear off the fatigue of the haps it appears nowhere more clearly than audience it is no longer a natural lapse in his letters, which, when published, will into slumber that his attendants observe. fill several volumes, for during the past into slumber that his attendants observe.

The pope's head falls back on his armchair, his corpse-like face is upturned,

yet appeared in English, although they will and he remains unconscious and apparently yet appeared in English, although they will lifeless for five or ten minutes. On a couple of occasions during the past few weeks the periods of unconsciousness lasted for as many as twenty minutes. Dr. Lapponi for as many as twenty minutes. Dr. Lapponi existence, was written to his mother from was summoned and the newspapers pub- his school at Viterbo, when he was 10 years lished the fact that the pope had fainting old. It is an interesting composition, and and the increasing duration of them Pecci was not altogether different from causes no small anxiety. Dr. Lapponi may other boys. The letter translated runs as be correct in stating that his illustrious follows: old age is in this case proving itself a promised to visit us soon, and I am anxformidable malady.

Love of Things Material.

most likely to be elected, those hostile to him endeavored to weigh upon their confreres by alleging this cardinal's defects, your blessing. In all fillal love, I remain

TEN WEEKS FOR TEN CENTS.

RECENT PORTRAIT OF POPE LEO. ence is a precarious matter indeed. It is | Of late Centra's function is no sinecure accordingly not to be wondered at that with At times the pope is afflicted with moments of forgetfulness that are not uncommon to persons who have labored much mentally. When he puts away a bunch of keys he frequently forgets their location. Formerly have signed this my last will by my own would confess distraction, but at present he searches nervously and querulously affirms that it was Centra who last had

A very precious ruby and diamond ring

which the pontiff at the time of his sacerdoscene.

The none rarely wears this ring, but when he does he retains it usually for some time. One evening lately he had it before going to bed, but on awakening next morning was astonished to find it missing. He seemed preoccupied when Centra entered, and, after hunting nervously for some time, said "Centra, I gave you that diamond ring last

night. Where is it?" Centra protested, but n vain. The pope was sure of his point. Before his sacerdotal jubilee the holy carried it away, it would still be in the room. Rarely did Centra pass a more painful morning. He is a ruddy, well conditioned man,

present state it is Pio Centra. His patience on this particular occasion was rewarded. After joining the pontiff in searching high and low for the ring, until the morning audience of the cardinal secrement. When settling the bed he removed

The Human Side of the Pope. least interesting, although, perhaps, the When he now returns to his private least known phase of his character. Per-Fits of this kind he certainly has, his reference to cakes shows that Giacchino

lously looking forward to seeing you. I Other symptoms, too, are not wanting; am trying my very best so that you may be and although it is hard to arrive at knowl- satisfied with me. I wish indeed that father edge as complete and as fully substantial would come with you. Please tell him, so as one could desire, still there are certain that he, too, will come, that since Peppius facts and incidents which in themselves (his brother) and I are in this college we are beyond controversy. From these it is have not seen him. Let me beg of you permitted to judge of the true state of to send me a Regia Pornassi, so that I can learn to write Latin poems. I thank you very much that you persuaded Mr. Sangalit When the first voting of the cardinals to visit us. Thank you, too, for the pigne in the conclave of February 19, 1878, (cakes) which you sent by him. We thought showed that Josephim Pecci was the man of you often and gladly as we ate them. dear ones, father especially. Pray give me

your affectionate son. VINCENZO." Recollections of Conclaves. Four years later his mother died and lowing extracts show:

"As I have already written you, the conclave is filled with doubt and darkness.

there are cardinals." March 20 he writes: "The conclave is no longer for Pocca. De Gregorio has a good the pontiff alone has the key, and into chance; a large number of the cardinals will vote for him and no other. Cardinals Cristaldo and Capellari are gaining votes * * * Some say the pope will be elected in a few days; others that it may take months or even a year before a choice is made." But April 2 he writes: "At last, God be praised, we have a new pope, a new bishop of Rome. It is Cardinal Franciscus Xaverius Castiglione, about 68 years old." This was Pope Plus VIII., whose election may give some ideas of the difficulty to be met in electing the successor to the present pope. At this time he writes to the same brother: "My theological studies keep me too busy t write you compliments on your sonners and such bagatelle. But let me advise you whom the muse of Apollo has so enriched with poetic gifts, to cast aside as soon as possible mere flower ballast." * * * A letter from the young student to his

father, September 11, 1869, affords an excellent glimpse at his ambitions: "I am most grateful to you for the money so kindly sent me. I need it very much for little things. * * * I am using my poor powers as well as I can to prove how grateful am for all your care. I am glad to tell you that I have taken two prizes this year in hard dogmatic theology. I need not say how much labor this has required. . . Will you please ask Titta (short for Baptista) to send me the lock of the gun I used last October, so that I may have it Young Giacchino, prize winner in dogmatic theology, was nevertheless an ardent sportsman, and when he went on a visit to Carpineto passed most of his time hunting in the mountains. Then he writes of the election of Gregory XVI after the death of Plus VIII, of his disputation in the college which passed off so well that in the College Record it was stated: "He is pestined for higher things." In 1832 he received the degree of doctor of theelogy and entered the Accademia del Nobili Ecclesiastici, where further distinction awaited him in a disputation held before the pope. But he was far from well; under date of May 13, 1834, he writes to his favorite brother, Baptista: "Truly this year, 'the hand of God has touched me,' (John xix, 21.) I am sometimes better, sometimes worse of this throat trouble, from which I have suffered for the last nine months. You would hardly believe how dispirited it makes me, both by reason of the pain that I must bear and the vexation at having gone only half-way to find my knees giving way. This disease makes all efforts at study impossible. Since last April it has grown constantly worse.

Neither the physician nor medicine help at In the Midst of a Plague.

In 1836 the pope's father died. The forowing year was the time of the cholera epidemic in Rome. His letters home dwelt upon the horrors of the plague and the heroism of the priests. On September 14 he enclosed his will, fearing the worst from his throat trouble or the plague. It read: "In the name of God, Amen. My soul I entrust to God and the Holy Virgin. May His Divine Majesty and the merciful Virgin grant me forgiveness for my sins. All of my possessions I divide into two parts to be given to my brothers, Carlo and John Baptista. But they must undertake to have read fifty masses each year for the repose of my soul, during five years. After this they are free from all obligations; but I leave to their brotherly affection any addition to this care for my soul. My property shall be subject, however, to a gift of twenty scudi to the worthy poor of Carpineto, my home. To Uncle Antonio I leave as earnest of my affection the china service given me by his eminence, Cardinal Sala. I, Giacchino Pecci,

September 14, 1837, at 10 o'clock. cember 19, 1837. He wrote of it to his prother Carlo: "With the grace of God I quickly, for the misery and wretchedness ordination on the last day of the year, after vast majority of the working classes, having been made sub-deacon on the 17th, * * * The workingmen have been sur-Pray for me, for I am all unworthy of this greed of unchecked competition. . .

perform this friendly duty."

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ments of all, they strain every effort to seize upon and hold in common all that has been individually acquired by title of lawful inheritance, through intellectual or manual labor or economy in living. . . . The church recognizes the existence of inequality amongst men, who are by nature unlike in mental endowment and strength of body, and even in amount of fortune; and she enjoins that the right of property and of its disposal, derived from nature, should in the case of every individual remain intact and inviolate. * * * She lays the rich under strict command to give of their superfluity to the poor, impressing them with fear of divine judgment, which will exact the penalty of eternal punishment unless they suc-

cor the wants of the needy." In 1885 the pope issued a special letter devoted to "Workingmen's Clubs and Associations," in which he said: "Agitators are aiming at making use of the laboring class as instruments whereby to satisfy their own ambition. They delude workingmen by empty promises, flatter them by proclaiming loudly their rights, without ever referring to their duties; they enkindle in their minds a hatred of landowners and of the wealthy classes, and at length, so soon as they deem the moment favorable for their harmful purposes, they launch them into perilous enterprises wherein none but the ringleaders reap advantage. * * * We exhort the These institutions assure to the workingman assistance and charitable aid in case of sickness. They implant love in the heart of all, instead of hate, which but too often separates the employed from their employ-

Condition of the Working Classes. In the letter of May 15, 1891, which prob-The pope's ordination took place on De- Condition of the Working Classes," saying: | involved in a peculiar way." "Some remedy must be found, and found

passing through the Christmas eve vigil on | rendered, all isolated and helpless, to the he 24th and receiving the deaconate. • • hard-heartedness of the employers and the effort. great step. I know you will not fail to Socialists, by endeavoring to transfer the possessions of individuals to the community On December 31, 1837, he wrote to his un- at large, strike at the interests of every ton agency and requested to see Mr. Pinkercle, Antonio: "This morning I received the wage-earner, since they would deprive him

Cama Sig Madre

Lande nell altima sin letters as he promoses of unini a nuedere for poor so l'espetto on anneta. voy lis portarmi bene offerete posse record with quete la onsolizione che posso Brameres ancora, che Laper le faces anpagnia e per eramotarto maggiormente gli dica che da quando Sepporo ed in suruna venuti in Convitto non labbiamo mai pois veduto Con queste. averes bisognes che nie provedense la Regia Sarnasse per imparent a fore ixerse latine de ringração della visita che ne ha procurata del Sig Sangalli e della purgna de ci ha favonto, le quelli in grang suce abbiamo manginto vellegramiste. La prego de. split salute a tuti particolarmente a Repar. o chederdole la S. B. con filiale affetto mi rassegnos

Viterbo 22 Aprile 1820

Suo agino figlio

FACSIMILE LETTER WRITTEN BY THE POPE FROM COLLEGE AT THE AGE OF 10. holy anointment; I am a priest. Tomorrow, of the liberty of disposing of his wages and at 8 o'clock. I shall be reading my first thereby of all hope and possibility of inpatient is free from organic disease. But "Dear Mother-In your last letter you mass." So simple was his announcement of creasing the stock and of bettering his con-

his entry into the priesthood. The Pope and the People. The blood of Coladi Rienzi, tribune of the use and enjoyment flows through the veins of Pope Leo XIII. has perhaps had an influence in making in his habits and beliefs. Pope Leo has always been deeply interested in the social he has issued under the general subject, "The People," will fill more volumes than all his other writings put together. Most, of them abound in good advice, as the fol-

dition in life. . . . To affirm that God has given the earth for the people, who devoted his life to vain , whole human race is not to deny that efforts to re-establish the Roman republic, private property is lawful. For God has granted the earth to mankind in general, He refers to this fact with pride, and it not in the sense that all without distinction can deal with it as they like, but rather him the most democratic of all popes, both that no part of it has been assigned to any one in particular, and that the limits of questions affecting the life of the poor, and by man's own industry, and by the laws of sation turned upon the business of thief-he has always been a consistent friend of individual races. • • The socialists in taking and the queer experience of the the workingman. The encyclicals which setting aside the parent and setting up a veteran detective. Always alive to see more fundamental principle, if one would undertake to alleviate the condition of the masses,



Story of the Theft and Return of Family Heirlooms.

OF A REFORMED ROGUE

An Interesting Chapter of Family History, a Mingling of Romance and Crime and the Surprising Sequel.

As a source of interesting information William A. Pinkerton has few equals and no superiors. His varied experience with noted criminals and mysterious crimes as the head of the great detective agency which bears his name has placed him in a position as extraordinary as it is unique. It is very seldom that Mr. Pinkerton takes the public into his confidence. When he does, the stories he relates are entertaining. Last week the great American thief-taker was in Omaha. While in conversation with a well known Omaha gentleman Mr. Pinkerton contributed an interesting bit of per-Catholic faithful of all countries to revive F. Bayard. In addition to the romantic incidents involved in the information imparted, the story serves to vividly illustrate the spirit of confidence which the rugged honesty of the detective has inspired even among that element of society which he is engaged in bringing to the prison and the

"So Thomas Bayard is dead," mused the detective. "Well, that brings back to my ably aroused as much discussion as any he | mind the events of many years ago in which ever issued, Leo dealt at length with "The the family interests of that gentleman wer

Though the story related covered a period of nearly ten years, as the veteran detecshall be so happy as to receive the priestly pressing so heavily and unjustly on the tive continued, the details of the strange affair of a decade ago returned like lightning and he was able to complete the chapter of the extraordinary events without an

> The Mysterious Package. Eight or nine years ago a man appeared

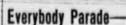
at the Chicago headquarters of the Pinker-'When informed that the detective was not in he handed to the clerk a package, carefully wrapped, and cautioned the clerk to hand it personally to William Pinkerton The next morning when the mysterious package was opened a peculiar assortment of ancient bejeweled trinkets was exposed. In addition to a peculiarly designed buckle studded with stones, the package contained several foreign coins, little articles of exquisite workmanship in the form of jeweled pins for feminine adornment, in all to the value of \$300 or \$400. It was quite apparent that the value of the package was greater as heirlooms than otherwise. A note was found in the precious assortment. It was written on a typewriter for the evident purpose of preventing the identity of the person who sent the package ever being discovered. It was brief, merely requesting Mr. Pinkerton to act as the vehicle through which the package might be returned to its proper owner-Hon. Thomas F. Bayard. The note concluded with the statement that the sender knew the detective to be an honest man and he knew he could be relied upon to attend to the matter.

Mr. Pinkerton at once communicated with Robert J. Linden of Philadelphia, who was then the head of the Pinkerton agency there. Linden is now superintendent of secure their valuables. We heard of the French officer of the lake region, had been police of that city. He forwarded the package to the agency there and Mr. Linden in person went down to Washington to return Count Lauenhaupt, the Swedish nobleman. it to Mr. Bayard, who was then in the cabinet. Mr. Pinkerton instructed his agent

to make no charge for the article. Mr. Bayard was not only surprised but delighted with the return of the articles. family residence of the Bayards I, with a He explained that the little bundle of ancient jewelry contained heirlooms of priceless value to his family. The buckle and to their hotel. While my pals waited Count Harry Arnim, who was known as the had at one time adorned the sword of a I climbed the porch and entered the bridal Bayard ancester in the navy of the re- chamber. I secured the package as I sup- long Arnim came out, fanning himself with public. The return of the articles were as mysterious, Mr. Bayard explained, as their disappearance. No member of the family knew how, exactly when and where the package went, though all mourned the loss of the relics of their ancestors.

Mr. Bayard was prepared to pay any sum for the recovery of the property and when all offers were refused, requested permission to reimburse the agency for the expense connected with the case, but was assured nothing would be accepted.

The Mystery Explained. Years passed and William Pinkerton had almost forgotten the circumstance. The singular individual who had so mysteriously sent the package to the detective still re- he helped him solve the Bayard mystery and mained unknown. One day he was in St. Paul and had some business with a promiprivate possession have been left to be fixed | nent gentleman of that city. The converstate supervision act against natural justice in the casual remark of the average inand break into pieces the stability of all dividual than persons not trained in the Hazel Salve. family life. * * * The first and most linking of clews and the solution of GOSSIP mysteries, Mr. Pinkerton observed something in the remark of the business man That big family paper. The Illustrated Weekly Sentinel, of Denver. Colo. (founded 1890), will be sent ten weeks on trial for 190c; clubs of 6, 50c; 12 for \$1. Special offer and line that convinced him that the St. Paid gentle that convinced h must be the inviolability of private prop-erty. * * There naturally exist among man was the person who years before left when he was joined by a bore, who began



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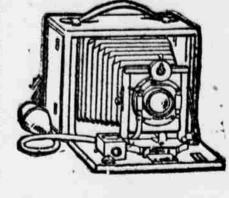
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did you not leave that package with me

personally some years ago? With a start and exclamation of surprise the man rejoined: "Since you know that I am the man, I

don't mind telling you. I knew you were all right and would return the jewelry and lain, who had finished his dinner, took his I did not want to place myself in a position hat and cane from the rack and replied: here I might suffer for a crime, though I desired to return the property to the Bayard family. Then the detective inquired as to how he

happened to be a prominent business man waxing star in the railroad world of the and yet at that time been leagued with northwest, who is in the reported purchase thieves. The St. Paul man's story was as of the Baltimore & Ohio, began his life as strange as the other features of the extraordinary affair.

formed criminal related his strange story. "Though today I am a respected business | man of the city of St. Paul, years ago I was a member of a gang of eastern criminals. We made a practice of watching the residences of wealthy people at the time of the marriage of some member of their families and following bridal couples for the purpose of securing their valuables by stealth. I was a 'porch climber' in the vernacular of the criminal. 1 was the man who would climb up to the windows of the room in which the bridal couple would rest approaching marriage of Miss Nellie Bay-We were advised that Count Lauenhaupt of almost priceless value. We determined to towns of the west." secure the prize at any cost. From the number of other members of our gang, folturning it.

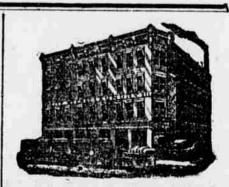
"But now I am an honest man. I reformed, cut my old associates and came

west, where I have prospered." Mr. Pinkerton would not mention the name of the St. Paul man, for he is sure his reformation is complete, and then, too. he could not betray him.

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GOSSIP ABOUT NOTED PEOPLE.

Joseph Chamberlain, the English statesman, was once dining in a Washington cafe He is, besides, an almost romantic believer



The Ragged Edge

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"Great man, me; noted character, Jack the Ripper. Good evening."

James J. Hill, the already risen and now a "mud clerk" on the Mississippi. He managed to keep his road, the Great Northern. While the thief-taker listened the re- out of the hands of the receiver in the crash which put all other northwestern roads over their heads in trouble, and has performed other feats that railroad men recognize as notable. He is always anxious to keep his doings out of the newspapers and has a record for success in that direction.

"Denver is so young," says a correspondent of the Boston Transcript, "that General Denver, for whom it is named, is still living and visited the city a few years ago. This is a rare honor. Washington rever saw the great city which he knew would bear his and after they had retired, steal in and name. Lieutenant Duluth, the intrepid in his grave 200 years before the city that ard, daughter of Hon. Thomas Bayard, to perpetuates his fame was founded. It has been General Denver's good fortune to live to see his namesake possess a population of carried a package of diamonds and rubles | 170,000 and rank high among the thriving

One day at Versailles, during the Franco-German war, Lord Odo Russell went to call lowed the bridal couple into Wilmington on Bismarck, but found him closeted with "Ape," from his fantastical ways. Before posed and made my escape. What was our his handkerchief and looking as if about to disappointment later to discover that I had choke. "Well," he gasped, "I cannot undersecured nothing but a small bundle of old stand how Bismarck can bear that-smoking jewelry, its chief value being merely as the strongest Havanas in a stuffy little room, heirlooms. It was too late to rectify the I had to beg him to open the window." mistake, and the count with his bride never. When Russell entered the room he found the knew that we had entered their room and chancellor fanning himself beside an open of the narrow escape his family jewels had. casement. "What strange tastes some people The package I secured is the package I have!" he exclaimed; "Arnim has just been sent you. I knew of no other way of re- with me, and he was so overpoweringly perfumed that I had to open the window."

> Major Marchand, the French officer at Fashoda, is described as a modest and retiring little man. At school he was known as "the mouse," because of his unobtrusive character. He is not particularly clever, but very plodding and determined in a quiet sort of way. The chief secret of his success in life has been his talent for keeping on good terms with the most exacting authorities, and that without forfeiting his selfesteem. At the same time his friends have never been able to make out exactly how far his self-suppression is natural and how far it is the result of calculation. He has been known, though at very long intervals, to ndulge in the most violent fits of passion, which took those present completely aback. in the future of France as a colonizing

power. Cook's Imperial Champagne reaches the