

The Collection Tomorrow.

The collection tomorrow is for the Bengal Mission. It will go to fund Father Crowley trying to raise to bring in a community of Sisters to work among the 30,000 Garos who have applied for instruction in the Faith. It is a decidedly worthy cause. It is suggested that your offering tomorrow be the price of a show or some other sacrifice you make today.

Once More Yet.

"Dear Father: There has been considerable discussion, both pro and con, on this subject of Saturday night dancing; but as yet you have made no positive ruling upon the question. Will you kindly give us a definite answer in the near future. What we desire to know is whether dancing on Saturday night is a sin and a matter of confession. In your previous treatment of these questions your answers have been biblical quotations -- which, I am sorry to say, we do not understand. Now we want this matter settled, once and for all -- can we or can't we."

"Two Seniors."

The Bulletin for March 30 quoted the Synod of the Fort Wayne diocese (which is not part of the Bible) as follows: "Any Catholics who give public dances or balls on Saturday evenings or on Sundays and Holy days of obligation must not be absolved unless they promise in writing that they will never again give such public scandal."

Can you understand this? Those who give the dance are refused absolution unless they promise in writing never again to give such public scandal.

Can you understand this? Those who cooperate formally with one who commits a mortal sin are guilty of the same sin. (See your Moral text, pages 157-159.)

Can you understand this? The difference in punishment between those who give and those who attend the dance is that the former have to make their purpose of amendment in writing; those who attend must have a purpose of amendment or their absolution is invalid.

This question is growing disgusting. Is it necessary to turn the Bulletin over every day to a discussion of the right of the Catholic Church to bind her subjects by laws? If you don't want to obey the laws of the Church you can get out.

Another point: It is more than a year since the Prefect of Religion announced on the Bulletin that he considered the Palais Royale a universal occasion of sin, and his investigations since that time have only confirmed that judgment. Decency is far gone when Catholic young men, some of them daily communicants, will go on a dance floor which is infested with women who are there for only one purpose, and that a strictly immoral one. Not all the girls who go there are immoral; but those who are not are certainly indiscreet in going to a place where immoral women lay their snares. Can you understand that?

Spiritual Bouquets.

The cards for Fathers' Day are ready. Call for them at the Serin Hall pamphlet rack. If you failed to make the Novena before the feast you can promise one and send the cards on. The feast is next Wednesday.

Prayers.

Tom McNicholas is quite sick at the hospital; he has been running a high temperature and his condition is far from satisfactory. Don Plunkett's brother is quite sick. Joe Dellamaria, Ray Ball and Ray Doyle ask prayers for relatives recently deceased. Other deceased persons, friends of students, are recommended to your prayers; so are four special intentions, one of them extremely urgent.

Special Notice.

The time left for Easter Duty is very short.