

Religious Bulletin

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Yesterday's Collection.

The collection for Bengal yesterday amounted to \$81.18, ten street car checks, and one check good for five cents at the Oliver. That is very nice, and part of it at least can be used without conversion by the Notre Dame men in Bengal. But it is just \$90 short of the collection on the third Sunday of January last year, when the plea was made for Father Finner. Other offerings for charity since January 1 include ten dollars for the Lepers, one dollar and forty-five cents for Bengal, and twenty-five dollars for a local charity.

Question Box Tonight.

Father Donahue's conference tonight (at 7:00 in the south basement of the Library) will be followed by a question box, in which Fr. Donahue will answer all questions submitted before noon today. This will be a regular feature of the Monday night conferences henceforth.

Let's Give Our Mothers A Break This Year.

Extra copies of these Bulletins (for Jan. 7, 9, & 18) are now at the pamphlet rack.

Pray For The Kellys.

A letter from Mrs. Kelly, mother of Eugene, who died during the holidays, offers deep thanks for the prayers you have said and the letters you have written, and is insistent in a plea for the continuance for prayers. Both Mr. and Mrs. Kelly have been ill of late, and the shock of Eugene's death is retarding their recovery.

"A Classic Quest."

The new psychologists have various other names for the old-fashioned conscience, but it still blooms among us, and by whatever name it goes it smells as sweet. Reuben H. Donnelly, of Chicago, was once a stock broker here in New York. In 1905, together with his partners, he failed for more than \$300,000. The receiver for the bankrupt firm subsequently settled with its creditors for 27 cents on the dollar, and the law was satisfied and the ethics of business procedure as well.

Not so Mr. Donnelly. He fell heir later to the business of his father, who was a wealthy printer in Chicago. He expanded his father's business and has since been gathering profits from the two big printing companies, the Reuben Donnelly Corporation and the R. R. Donnelly and Sons, until he found that he had enough, and more than enough, to pay up in full all the old creditors of his bankrupt brokerage company. Most of them had died; he located their heirs. Most of the survivors had moved; he traced them to their newest addresses. This took months of investigation and correspondence, but finally, on New Year's Day, he mailed out checks aggregating \$645,000, wiping the slate clean. -- It will be noted in the first place that his obligation toward these creditors of 22 years ago was purely a moral one; in the second place that he refused to be satisfied until he had located every last one of them or his heirs and assigns, and in the third place that he paid them not only the principal due but the interest which in the meantime had exceeded the principal. Diogenes need look no farther.

PRAYERS: Jos. D. Murphy's father died Saturday; earnest prayers are sought for the repose of his soul. An aunt of Wm. Ashford died yesterday.

LOST: A purse containing money and five diamond rings.