To Our Readers

Vacation and the great outdoor life of the year is over. Many fruitful hours of pleasant recreation will be spent in reading, if our choice of literature is elevating. When we read we will choose something that will show us how noble a thing human life is intended to be; and not how base it easily becomes as reflected in the literature of the day, in the newspapers, periodicals, and books of the hour. We will seek out beauty and the things of wisdom that belong to peace.

Literature that stands apart from its commercial contemporaries in principle and practice, and supplies corrective truth to those who crave for it, need not necessarily perish. But Catholic literature cannot long endure if it is not supported by the Catholic reading public. Catholic publications standing as they do outside the newspaper trusts and political groups, are able to say what they know to be true and what is the best way for the individual to emancipate himself from degrading servility. Catholic literature looks what it is—matter for quiet serious reading. If many people cannot lead quiet and beautiful lives themselves, they can at any rate, find a respite from their hustled existence in reading books of truth and peace. And by such reading they find solace, courage and self respect in the turmoil of modern life.

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