

law of 1871 which restricts vivisection to authorized persons and provides for the voluntary and gratuitous services of members of the medical profession to act as inspectors of laboratories seems to contain many good points for the prevention of abuses. (Vide Lethingwell, "An Ethical Problem"). Some such law might function in this country for the good of all concerned. Caution, however, must be exercised in this direction to safeguard the proper rights of science. No one will deny that as a whole the scientists engaged in this work are conscientious men, and their opinion as to what is necessary for progress in their salutary labor is to be preferred to that of laymen who are not in a position to know these things. Readers of papers "devoted to securing justice for animals" are often so fed up on the so-called "rights" of animals that they are forgetful of the true rights of men, and so swayed by passionate appeals to their sympathies for our dumb friends that they become unmindful of suffering humanity for whose sake vivisection is practised.

—*Bro. Joseph Regan, O. P.*

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(To Brother John Phillips, O. P.)

Thanks be to God! I've known eternal Light,
Since first I ventured on life's treach'rous sea;
Thanks be to God! I've always had my sight,
Unblinded by the pomp of heraldry.

Thanks be to God! His faith has made me whole
With joyous youth and peace with waning years.
Thanks be to God! I've ever kept my soul
From worldly trammels and unholy fears.

Thanks be to God! I've felt the crushing cross
Pin me to earth with wounded soul and sad;
Thanks be to God! I've never known the loss
Of goods renounced or goods I might have had.

Thanks be to God! I see the setting sun;
I hear celestial choirs intone their praise;
Thanks be to God! my journey here is done,
May He preserve me still in His Own ways!

—*Bro. Hugh Hartnett, O. P.*