#### PLAYED THEIR PART.

On the initiative of the Catholic Stage Guild, a Requiem Mass for members of the theatrical profession fallen in the war was celebrated at the Church of Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane, on Thursday, February 13 (says the London Catholic Times). The Mass was celebrated by the Rev. Father J. Riley, of St. Mary's, a member of the committee, and Mr. Henry Vibart and Mr. George Mozart acted as ushers. Lieutenant McKenzie, an associate member of the Guild, served the Mass. The choir, under the skilful direction of Mr. Alfred Bellew, the stage manager of His Majesty's Theatre, rendered exquisite music, the pieces selected being an excerpt from Father Cox's "Requiem," Niedemeyer's "Pie Jesu," Verdi's "Hostias et Preces," and Mendelssohu's "Beati Mortui." There was a large congregation of the members of the Guild.

A moving sermon was preached by the Very Rev. Dom Bede Jarrett, O.P., who pictured our Lord as the central actor in the world's greatest tragedy. The actor's profession (he said) was the most sympathetic of all the professions. In their stage life actors lived through and experienced the whole of life—its tragedy, its comedy, its nonsense, and its ghastly seriousness. It was no wonder, then, that the sympathies of actors had been stirred by the great tragedy of the war, or that they had volunteered in such large numbers.

On the Roll of Honor of the Guild appear the following names:—Priest-members (chaplains to the forces)—Very Rev. Canon Gwydir, O.S.B. (drowned in H.M.S. Rohilla); Rev. J. McIlvane (drowned in H.M.S. Glenrat Castle); Rev. Basil Maturin (drowned in the Lusitania); and the Rev. W. Campbell (drowned

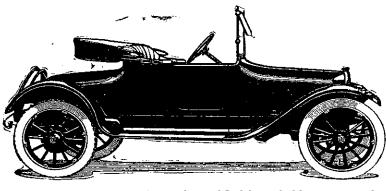
in the Leinster). Members—Messrs. J. E. Carroll, Jack Carroll, Walter Rice, Arthur Curtis, Shiel Barry, Frank Yorke, Jim Corlett, Desmond Brannigan, and Edward Lynton. Associate member—Mr. J. Durkin.

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It is proposed to erect a tablet to the memory of these in the Church of Corpus Christi, for which object subscriptions may be sent to the secretary of the Guild.

#### BISHOP ON IDLENESS.

The Most Rev. Dr. Gaughran, Bishop of Meath, lately preaching in Mullingar Cathedral, said that thousands of people in Ireland, England, and Scotland were idle not because no man had hired them, but because they could get substantial sums of money without working. What were they to think of legislation which put a premium on idleness! Unless the present regulations were withdrawn or amended the results would be disastrous. Was it not a most dangerous thing that to-day men were paid more for being idle than many others were paid for working?

Referring to the industrial unrest, his Lordship said it was only in the last resort there should be recourse to strikes, because when people's passions were aroused there was every danger of a violation of the laws of charity and justice. The worker was entitled to a wage sufficient to support his family in decency and comfort, and no man to-day could so support his family unless his wages were considerably increased. Every man was entitled to recreation, but in adjusting the hours of work it was important that the question of output should be kept in view.



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