

three times a day, morning, noon, and night, for what is called the *Angelus*. Whenever that bell is heard, the strict disciplinarians of the church leave their work, uncover themselves, and repeat a short prayer. Our friend is not one of the most pious men in the world, but a dog he owns seems determined to make up for his short comings; for we are assured that the moment the church bell strikes the *Angelus* he stops, bows his head and hangs his tail demurely until it has done pealing, when he goes about his business again, the most important part of which is dosing under the table."

THE INDIAN RESERVE.—Capt. P. E. Conner, Deputy Collector of Customs, stationed at the Tejon Pass, writes that there are about 2,500 Indians on the Reserve in that vicinity, all of whom are industriously engaged in plowing, sowing, and performing other labor required about a large farm. He says there are no less than 2,500 acres of excellent land sowed with wheat, well ditched, with a stream of water running through the ditch for the distance of six miles, and from which the whole field can be irrigated. Connected with the farm is one of the most excellent gardens in California, in which is planted a large quantity of grape vines, together with the trees of the various tropical fruits adapted to this climate, such as the orange, peach, apricot, pear, pomegranate, &c. There are also about 2,000 head of Cattle on the Reserve, together with a large number of sheep and goats.

The Indians appear to be very happy and contented. Whilst the men perform the labor of the farm, the old people do the household work, and the girls and young women are employed in making garments for themselves and the men.

It is the opinion of Capt. Conner that after the first year or two, the Indians on this Reserve will be able to raise everything for their own maintenance, and thereby save the government a large amount yearly, which otherwise would have to be paid for Indian wars, Indian depredations, &c.

The success that has so far attended the Reserve is certainly remarkable, and leads us to anticipate important results.