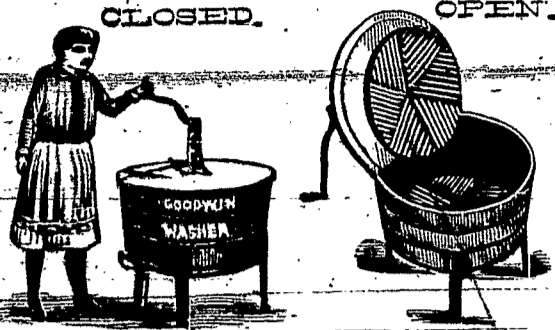


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**The Month of Mary.**  
There is a month in the year called the month of Mary, and that month is the month of May. It is a very sweet month, and a month in which we think a great deal about our Blessed Lady. Some of us have a little altar in our room. Perhaps you say, "How can I make an altar? Nothing is easier." Get a box and cover it with a piece of cloth, then put a statue of our Lady on it with a few flowers (daisies or buttercups will do), in a little glass before it. And there is your little altar. It would be nice to put a little candle on it. But you want to do more than this in the month of Mary. As I have said before, we each have a chief fault, and we ought to ask our Lady to help us to cure it. Our Lady was always humble and pure. She was only a little child of three when she gave herself up to God, and entered the Temple. Dear children, be always very fond of our Lady. Ask her to pray for you, and ask her to make you very devoted and good during the month of May. And if some tell you that they do not think about our Lady, tell them that she deserves to be loved and honored as she is the mother of God.—*Donoghue's Magazine*

**Trades for Our Boys.**  
Our boys know a great deal, but the majority grow to manhood without learning to do anything well enough to earn their living. Skilled labor, whether of the hands or head, is always in demand.

Too many boys, with no special aptitude or training, drift into places which God never meant them to occupy, and dissatisfaction to themselves and their employers is an inevitable result. Peter the Great left his throne that he might learn how to build a ship, and he learned it thoroughly from stem to stern, from hull to mast.

The Jews, wise in their day and generation, gave to every boy, of whatever station or wealth, a trade. Many a college-bred boy needs to leave the throne of his ideal position, and learn the things with which every day must deal. Or, rather, it would be better with us if each boy learned a trade before he went to college.

How many college boys can tell what kind of timber will bear the greatest strain, or which kind will last the longest under water? How many know how steel is made, or even pig iron?

Do all know limestone from sandstone, or manganese from iron? Somebody says a surveyor's mark never gets any higher from the ground on a tree; can your college brother tell you why?

**The Sagacity of an Elephant.**  
A story illustrating the sagacity of the elephant has been recorded on the authority of an artillery officer who witnessed the incident. A battery train going to the siege of Seringapatour had to cross the sandy bed of a river that resembles other rivers in the east, which leave during the summer season but a small stream of water running through them, though their beds are mostly of considerable breadth, very heavy for draught and abounding in quicksand. It happened that an artilleryman, who was seated on the tumbrel of one of the guns, by some accident fell off in such a situation that in a minute or two the hind wheel must have gone over him. The elephant, which was standing behind the gun, perceiving the predicament in which the man was, instantly, without any warning from its keeper, lifted up the wheel with its trunk and kept it suspended till the carriage had passed clear of him.

**Chinese Maxims.**  
The finest roads are short.  
One may do without mankind, but not without a friend.  
Everything is forgiven to him who forgives himself nothing.  
Receive your thoughts as guests, and discipline your desires like children.  
For him who does everything in its own time, one day is worth three.

**Catholic Society Notes.**

The members of the South Boston Institute are arranging for a course of concerts and lectures, to be given after Easter.  
The members of the Catholic Benevolent Society, of Clyde, are arranging for a sociable at Harmony hall on Easter Monday evening.

A branch of the C. B. L. was organized at Black Rock recently, with thirty-one members. John C. Harrington was elected president.  
The State convention of the C. B. L. will be held in Syracuse on May 13. It is expected that at least 200 delegates will be in attendance.

Guardet Council C. B. L. of Syracuse, have completed arrangements for a new hall in the Klein block, and expect in a short time to have some of the finest rooms in the city.

City Attorney Charles B. Ernst will reply to Grand President Hynes at the reunion of Branch 81, instead of Chancellor E. B. Ernst, as announced last week.

Thomas Harrison Cumming lectured in Lawrence, Mass., on March 30, under the auspices of the Young Men's Catholic Association. His subject was "A Century of Catholicity in New England."

Holy Apostles' Branch 125, C. M. B. A., was organized a year last August, and now numbers forty-four members. The members received instructions from Father Murphy last evening, preparatory to receiving Holy Communion. At the next regular meeting, Peter G. Miller will be presented a handsome gold badge, for bringing in the most new members.

Arrangements are being rapidly completed for the coming state parade of the A. O. H. at Hartford Conn. The First regiment A. O. H. rifles will act as escort for the parade. The procession will be divided into eight divisions, each county delegate and uniformed staff to command each division. A number of the clergy have accepted the invitations of their local divisions to accompany them on that day. The Governor has accepted the invitation extended to himself and staff by the state delegate to review the procession. Governor Buckley and staff will also attend the grand complimentary ball to be given in Allyn hall on May 13 by the Irish-American citizens of Hartford to the delegates attending the national convention A. O. H.

Following is the programme of the concert to be given by the Arbuckle band at the Knights of St. John the Baptist reception at Washington Rink Monday evening; Overture, Arbuckle Band; Selection Erminie, Heinecke; Waltz "Queen of Realm," Baker; Aria, Donazetta; (Trombone Solo, Mr. Geo. Pinder;) March, Tanhauser, Wagner; Polonaise, The Smugler, Missud; Dpnville, Q. S., Gordon. Musicians' Reverie; E. Beyer; Gallop, Black Horse Cavalry, Sutton. O. E. Sutton, director; Fred. Minges, manager.

The following committees will be in charge: arrangements, Chas. A. Parr, general manager, Israel J. LeBeau, Eugene Doucette, Frank Rivard, Leon St. Hilaire, Henry Hudon, Severe Andrews, Alfred Stone. Floor, Louis B. Savard, manager, Wm. Andrews, N. O. Roy, Chas. F. Parr, Jos. Roy, Edmund Rombaot, John B. St. Hilaire. Reception, Jos. H. Savard, Henry LaCasse, Eugene Savard, Antoine Terrien, Paul Pierlinck, Peter Robillard, August Swartell, Albert LaCasse, Chas. Gilles, Louis Fournier, Chas. A. Hudon.

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