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## IRISH NEWS.

During the year 1889 the Irish language was taught in fifty-one National schools in Ireland.

The Irish members entertained Mr. Arnell at a banquet in celebration of his forty-sixth birthday, on Saturday, June 28.

Sister Mary Frances Allingham, the first associate of the late Miss Lyward in the foundation of St. Bridget's Orphanage and Sisterhood of the Holy Faith, died a few days ago. She was the devoted friend of the orphan and the destitute poor, in whose service she spent nearly her whole life.

Andrew Kinsella, of Castleown, died suddenly of apoplexy on June 10. He was an upright, energetic Irishman and a staunch supporter of the National cause. He was treasurer of the Castleown branch of the National League.

Mother Mary de Sales, of the Convent of Sisters of Mercy, Naas, died a few days ago. She was a native of Carlow, her name in the world being Miss Margaret McDonald. She was very highly educated, and until her health failed her had entire charge of the schooling staff of Naas Convent schools.

On June 23 the school established at Trim for the industrial training of the pauper children of the workhouses of Drogheda, Dunshaugha, Kells, Navan and Trim was formally opened and the pupils duly installed in their new home.

June 25, Morgan Hayes, Secretary of the Naas Branch of the National League, was the recipient of a great ovation from the people of Tipperary and was, on his release from Clonmel Jail, where he underwent a month's imprisonment for the offence of having assaulted Constable Curry, "the shadow" of John Oullinane.

P. J. Kelly of New York has been visiting Mr. McPhillip, of Tuam, recently. He is the bearer of a bank draft for a considerable amount to the widow of the late Matt Harris, M. P., from some of his admirers in New York. Mr. Kelly is followed by the peelers from the time he leaves his friend's house until he returns.

James Daly died a few days ago, aged seventy-seven years. He was the owner of the public house in Deereen. He was a thorough Leaguer, and was always ready with his subscription.

T. J. Mulholland died in Belfast on June 25th, after a protracted illness, at the residence of his brother, Haydn Mulholland, organist, St. Peter's. He was well known and highly respected in medical and musical circles in Belfast and in Dublin, and he was recently appointed, after a severe contest, to the position of solo tenor at the Cathedral, Marlborough street, in the latter city. Mr. Mulholland contracted the illness which ultimately proved fatal, whilst reading for his medical degree at the Royal University, in which as an undergraduate he had had a brilliant career.

Father John was shadowed on Sunday, June 17th, at Carcluff, before and after celebrating Mass. "Shadows" also attended at Carreragh Magheraclone and Donaghmacane chapels.

Mother Patrick Joseph McKeown, Superior of the Convent of Poor Clares, at Ballejamesduff a few days ago. She was born in Curley, Adair, near Newry, County Down, in 1810. At 20 years of age she entered the Convent of St. Clare, in Newry, and established the Convent of Poor Clares in Ballejamesduff in 1842. She filled the position of Abbess for twenty years. Bishop Wilton, of Birmingham, sailed from Newry on the 17th inst. for the steamship Rotterdam. The Bishop has had a study of apoplexy and is on his way to New Guinea, where he intends to found a hospital for leprosy.

## MISSIONARY IN NEED.

What Father Paquette is Undergoing in the Canadian Northwest.

Special to the CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

New York, July 9.—A young lady of this city is calling the attention of charitable people to the distressful condition of a poor Indian missionary of Northwestern territory, Canada. He is the Rev. M. J. P. Paquette, O. M. I., and is in charge of Maskeg Lake Reserve.

Pere Paquette's flock is composed of perhaps the poorest Indians in Canada. They are poor not because they will not work, but owing to the fact that it is almost impossible for them to get even the most common necessities of life. They are clothed in rags, and their children have scarcely sufficient to cover them. The children attend school regularly. They are very willing to learn. It is touching to see the girls of the class constantly wrapped up, from head to foot, in old blankets and shawls. They never in school remove these, for they are the only covering that hides their nakedness. A Protestant minister is located on the Reserve next to that of Pere Paquette. Several times a year he receives from his friends cast-off clothing and other presents, which he distributes among his Indians. This makes the Catholic Indians discontented, and poor Pere Paquette has a hard task to prevent his impoverished flock from deserting the faith.

The school children have two school sessions of two and a half hours each. Father Paquette teaches them their own language and the French. The Government allows them each two hard ticks for their dinner and gives Pere Paquette the privilege of employing them for half an hour, weeding, cutting wood or other employment of that character. When visiting the sick the poor Father has to travel through snow up to his waist with the thermometer from thirty to forty degrees below zero. And the summer is not without its discomfort even in that high latitude.

Father Paquette says he would like to build a little chapel at Devil's Lake, some seventy or eighty miles from Lake Maskeg. He could say Mass once in a while there and prevent the hardship of the long journeys for his Indians. He wishes some one would send him a bell of about 200 pounds.

The New York girl whom the recital of these facts has touched is Miss Mary Hughson, of 309 East Eighty-eighth street. A few weeks ago she set to work collecting contributions for the missionary's relief. She has already received donations of money, altar materials, etc. Miss Hughson would be glad to have people of other cities interest themselves in the case of Pere Paquette.

In order to make it easy for those who desire to obtain aid for the missionary she has printed several hundred cards, on which collectors can acknowledge donations. At the head of each card is this: "Please buy a brick to build a church in honor of Our Lady of Perpetual Help for the poor Indians at Devil's Lake, Canada." Ten cents is the price of the bricks, and on each card the purchase money of one hundred bricks, ten dollars, can be recorded. Pere Paquette will daily remember contributors in his Mass. Those who wish to secure cards to collect or subscribe any sum from ten cents to ten dollars should write to Miss Mary Hughson, 309 East Eighty-eighth street, New York city. She will forward the collections to Pere Paquette.

Those who wish to send such contributions direct to Pere Paquette can

do so by addressing them as follows: Rev. M. J. P. Paquette, O. M. I., Lake Maskeg, Carlton P. O., Saskatchewan, Canada. Do not register the letters. Contributions of clothing and the like will reach Pere Paquette only by way of Qu'Appelle Assina. Any one desiring to send such will be advised of the necessary formula by Miss Hughson.

## COLORED CATHOLIC CONGRESS.

Interesting Exercises—Addresses by Archbishop Elder and Bishop Watterston.

The second congress of colored Catholics was held Tuesday and Wednesday of last week in Cincinnati, Ohio. Solemn high mass was sung at St. Peter's cathedral by Rev. John Griffin, C. S. Sp., of the Holy Ghost college, Pillsbury, in the absence of Father Tolton, the colored priest of Chicago. Rev. John A. Mackey preached an eloquent sermon. The music was furnished by a choir selected from the colored Catholics of Cincinnati.

After mass the congress assembled. Forty-eight delegates, representing 200,000 colored Catholics in thirteen states, were present. Daniel R. Rudd of Cincinnati was chosen temporary chairman and Charles H. Butler of Washington, temporary secretary. After appointment of committees, Most Rev. Archbishop Elder addressed the congress, "not as a race, but as members of the Church; equal in faith." His Grace spoke words of great encouragement and assured the delegates that in their work they would be aided by a Divine Power. He exhorted them to persevere in the cause in which they were engaged, and complimented them on the manner in which they had undertaken the great work. Rt. Rev. Bishop Watterston of Columbus, Ohio, and Rev. John T. Harrison of St. Paul's Cathedral, Minn., also delivered eloquent addresses.

The following permanent organization of the executive committee for the ensuing year was announced: President, Washington Parker, New York; vice-presidents, D. L. McLaughlin, St. Louis, Mo.; C. H. Butler, Washington, D. C.; J. E. Talbert, S. S. Gainer, H. L. Jones; treasurer, Dr. W. S. Lofton, Washington, D. C.; recording secretary, D. S. Mahoney; assistant, John R. Rudd; corresponding secretary, Thomas W. Short; sergeant-at-arms, S. E. Hurdy.

A paper by Dr. W. S. Lofton, urging the erection of more institutions for the education of the colored Catholics and a brief address by D. A. Rudd closed the first day's work of the congress.

At the congress on Wednesday resolutions were passed recommending that night schools be established for colored children; that Catholic children be given a Catholic education; that labor organizations be asked to admit colored men, and that employers make no distinction of color; that a plan be prepared to assist in abolishing the African slave trade; that the Sisters be assisted in educating colored orphans; that industrial leagues be formed; that young men form conferences of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, and that the thanks of the congress be tendered to Archbishop Ireland for his efforts in behalf of the colored people. The convention resolved to meet in Philadelphia on January 5, 1892. In the evening a banquet was held in Greenwood hall.


The last session of the congress was held on Thursday. Bishop Shea of Covington, Ky., was present.

Bishop Keane of the Catholic University will shortly visit Europe.

## REV. W. A. McDONALD.

He Succeeds to the Geneva Irremovable Rectory.

The concursus for the irremovable rectory of St. Francis de Sales, Geneva, was held Monday afternoon at St. Andrew's seminary. In the evening Bishop McQuaid announced the successful candidate, Rev. W. A. McDonald, pastor of St. Patrick's, Seneca Falls.



REV. W. A. McDONALD, M. E.

The new rector is a priest about 35 years old, tall and slender, with a grave, yet sweet countenance, and wears spectacles. He was educated at Andrew's and Troy seminaries. He was professor for a time at the latter institution. After his ordination he was stationed at the Cathedral and was chaplain at the State Industrial school. He was appointed temporary pastor of St. Patrick's, Seneca Falls, and remained there about seven months, when he was succeeded by Father Osborne. On the latter's departure from the diocese, Father McDonald was sent to Seneca Falls permanently, and has been there ever since. He has greatly endeared himself to his parishioners, and while they rejoice at his promotion they regret the loss of their beloved pastor. What is their loss, however, is Geneva's gain.

The following excellent sketch is from our Seneca Falls correspondent:

It was with sincere sorrow that the people of our village learned on Tuesday that our beloved pastor, Rev. W. A. McDonald, had been the successful contestant for the irremovable rectory of St. Francis de Sales, Geneva, made vacant by the death of Rt. Rev. Mgr. McMannus, V. G. While we congratulate Father McDonald on his good fortune in securing so good a parish for the remainder of his days, his great zeal, piety, goodness and learning has so endeared him to his people here that it is with the most profound sorrow that we find ourselves obliged to part with him. Father McDonald took charge of this parish after the death of Rev. Father McCool in 1878, and remained until the appointment here of Rev. G. J. Osborne in July, 1880. During the short time he was with us then he won the hearts of the people so completely that there was great dissatisfaction felt by all at his removal. A public testimonial in the shape of a grand entertainment was given in his honor in the then unfinished parochial school, and many valuable presents were also given him at that time. From here he went to Rochester, where he was appointed chaplain of the State Industrial school, where he remained a few years. From there he was appointed to a professorship in the Troy Provincial seminary, remaining there until overwork so undermined his health that he was obliged to resign his chair. Returning once more to Rochester he remained there until appointed to this parish in the spring of 1887 on the removal of Rev. G. J. Osborne. Coming as he did at this time, when the affairs of the parish were in an unsettled state, he was the only hand that could successfully

carry through the negotiations which saved the church from bankruptcy and demoralization. His clear head and indomitable will, coupled with his great financial ability, soon restored order out of chaos, and won the entire confidence and love of the people. We venture to say that no other priest could have taken charge of affairs here and accomplished so much in so short a time as he did. Father McDonald is now about 35 years of age and has been ordained about 13 years. His scholarly attainments and pleasing address will soon endear him to the people of his new parish.

## AROUND THE GLOBE.

### WHAT THE CHURCH IS DOING IN DIFFERENT COUNTRIES.

A Priest Who Sees the Front of Things.

The Archbishop of the United States will meet July 22nd at Boston, Mass. Cardinal Gibbons will preside. The Archbishop of Germany was founded in 1583, with the headquarters at Munster, in Westphalia. The sect was introduced into Rhode Island by Roger Williams and John Clark in 1633.

Fifty Protestant families joining the Catholic church in one parish is an occurrence worthy of mention. The parishioners of Rev. Mr. Higgins provoked at his taking over with the landlord who refused to allow them from their homes, renounced Protestantism and joined Father Osborne's flock in Cort county.

There is said to be one priest in the diocese of New York who has been sent to the States in the place of Mr. Vianelli, and the latter's place will take his place as secretary of the Propaganda.

The Holy Father has appointed Father Charles McDonald, D. D., Archbishop Corrigan's private secretary. Father Private Olinbertain with the title of Monsignor.

It is remarkable that most of the religious orders, though founded under monarchies, mostly a bishopric or despotism, are Democratic in their government, the chief officers being elected by vote and minor ones appointed. The Carmelites have a book of "Bible and Constitution," that has been followed for hundreds of years and yet the order has not become extinct, terms of office, etc., and such as might have been framed in the United States in this progressive and democratic century.

More than half of the Catholics who during the last four years, during the almshouse of Buffalo, were killed by the direct or indirect effects of alcoholic excess. The sudden cause of death in that institution during the same period were those of young men ranging from twenty-five to thirty-five years of age, who had contracted diseases whilst sleeping on the ground in a drunken stupor. With increased earnings and friends estranged these dreary remnants of youth longed to be carted to a bed in the almshouse, where male, wife would shelter them during the last days of their wasted lives, no less from the scorn of mankind than from the clemency of the weather.

For Alcoholism, Rev. Geo. Zarnes, Buffalo Plains, N. Y.

St. Peter and Paul's cathedral in Philadelphia which was consecrated on June 30, was founded by Bishop Kendrick Wood in 1824. The cathedral is 136 feet wide by 115 feet long and 101 feet high to the apex of the pediment. The area diameter of the dome at its base is 100 feet, its total height 115 feet. There are no side altars, but the altar is placed near the front.

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