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Weekly Church Calendar.

SUN. Oct. 12-20th Sunday after Pentecost. Gospel, St. John iv 46-53. St. Wilfrid, Bishop and Confessor. MON. 13-St. Edward, King and Confessor. TUES. 14-St. Callistus, Pope and Martyr. WED. 15-St. Teresa, Virgin. THUR. 16-St. Victor, Pope. FRI. 17-BL. Margaret Mary Alacoque. SAT. 18-St. Luke, Evangelist.

OUR YOUNG MEN.

We have frequently referred to the great need of a Young Men's Catholic Association in every parish in this diocese. We again repeat our statement. A young man's society, if conducted on the right basis, is a blessing in every parish. Why? It keeps our youth out of saloons and thereby relieves the parent's mind from care; it tends to keep the young men and lads in closer touch with the priests and thus renders the pastor's task of keeping them in close communion with the Church an easier one.

How should such a society be conducted? We can point to the associations in the Cathedral, SS. Peter and Paul's and St. Joseph's parishes. These societies have done much for the youth of their respective congregations and aim to do still more. The organizations mentioned have reading rooms, gymnasiums, bowling alleys, etc., in which the average boy or young man can find sufficient recreation and enjoyment. To be sure, the objection may be urged against forming societies in parishes not sufficiently large or wealthy to afford a parochial hall. We trust we may be pardoned for replying that the objection does not hold water.

If suitable rooms are not available on church property let the boys rent quarters near the sacred edifice. Let the parish priest or his assistant be elected moderator with power to advise in all matters. Then, urge the youth of the congregation to join. Encourage them to read and improve their minds; to try their hand at debating and informal literary and musical entertainments; in short, lend them your assistance in anything that promises to band them together and prevent them straying off in the evening to places of amusement more or less questionable.

We do not believe a priest will ever regret having organized his young men and lads into an association of this kind. But on the contrary, we believe he will be heartily glad he did.

It may be urged that the boys can join one of the various sodalities or the C. M. B. A. True. But not every body can join the latter order. A lad may not be old enough; he cannot afford the dues; his physical condition may be imperfect; for one or all of these reasons, a boy or young man may be debarred from membership. Then the C. M. B. A. only meets at infrequent intervals, two evenings in a month.

The tendency at the present time is to combine, to unite, clubs are formed, and together those of particular tastes or pursuits.

Protestant friends realize the danger derived from union of kind, consequently we find a People's Society of Christian Workers, or some such organization, with almost every dissenting church. We Catholics must be doing else our Protestant

friends will be ensnaring our own youth, thereby weakening their faith, perhaps weaning them away altogether.

"BLACK BEAUTY."

A book that should be in the hands of every man, woman and child in this country is one that has reached us with the above title. Its author is A. Sewell and the little volume purports to be the autobiography of a horse, together with descriptions of his various grooms, good and bad, and his companions. "Black Beauty" is an English book and has been published on this side the Atlantic by the American Humane Society.

"Black Beauty" has been styled "The 'Uncle Tom's Cabin' of the Horse," and the appellation is deserved.

No one can read Beauty's experience during a varied life without feeling a thrill of pity go through his heart for the horses he sees driven through the streets with their heads unnaturally thrown back by means of the cruel check-rein, and one of the chief points of their beauty shorn by a ruthless hand. We refer to the brutal practice of maiming a horse by cutting off a portion of the tail, that member of the horse's body provided by the Creator for obvious purposes. As Beauty tells his story of hard driving and ill-feeding the reader's blood boils; when he relates, in the most feeling terms, the kindness he received at the hands of other masters, we feel like clapping our hands and shouting Bravo! And as we finish the book and leave Beauty in kind hands with the expectation of ending his life amid scenes of pleasure and ease, one is tempted to shed a tear.

A person who reads this book can not help feeling for the dumb animals around us and he must be a hard-hearted man who will not inwardly vow to be kinder hereafter to his horses, cows, etc.

The Church News of Washington, D. C., entered upon its fifth year last week. We extend hearty congratulations to our contemporary and hope it will always occupy the high place in Catholic journalism it does at present. In its editorial the News has the following, which it is to be wished all Catholics would take to heart: "There are many ways by which our newspapers could be aided, such as by saying a good word in their favor, by subscribing for them, and by patronizing their advertising columns and their job offices. If Catholics would but remember that they can frequently without incurring a cent of expense, help to enlarge the usefulness of the Catholic press by patronizing these departments, every publisher in America would be enabled to furnish a larger or a better journal."

We wish to warn our Catholic parents against the so-called "Loyal Legions" being instituted by Women's Christian Temperance Union. These societies are formed for the purpose of encouraging temperance and sobriety among children. A laudable object to be sure. But the objection to them lies in the fact that the religious services conducted in connection therewith are usually Protestant, and not infrequently Catholic truths and ceremonies, if not sneered at, are spoken of contemptuously. For this reason Catholic children should not be permitted to affiliate themselves with any society conducted under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

We are sure the many readers of the JOURNAL, one and all, will congratulate Mr. E. J. Ryan, our business manager, on his marriage last Tuesday and unite with his admirers in wishing him and his charming bride many years of wedded happiness.

The October number of the Poor Souls' Advocate is very interesting. One of the best features of the magazine is the department "In The Library," edited by Miss Mary M. Meline, of Cincinnati, O. All Miss Meline's writings are worth reading.

The circulation of the JOURNAL is increasing very rapidly and furnishes a valuable advertising medium, which shrewd advertisers do not fail to patronize. There is no better channel through which to bring wares before the public than a religious paper. The advertisements in such journals are usually carefully selected, therefore, nothing is allowed to appear unless of the best firms. As a consequence the "ads" are always read and believed.

Hoffman's Catholic Directory for September has reached us. Its clergy list is full and complete. In addition a fine portrait and short biographical sketch is given of Rt. Rev. Dennis O'Connor, president of Assumption College and bishop-elect of London, Ont.

In the death of the late Dennis Doyle the JOURNAL loses a good friend. May his soul rest in peace.

In this issue we commence an original story entitled "Jack and Tom." The object of the tale is to make plain to both Catholics and Protestants some portions of Catholic ceremony and worship. It will be continued until our readers become weary of the conversations of "Jack and Tom."

The death is announced of Mr. Robert Steggall, the author of several volumes of verse. Mr. Steggall was received into the Church in 1888 since which time he was a somewhat frequent contributor to the Catholic magazines.

A Protestant Answered.

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To have in them life everlasting." Those hypocritical Pharisees kept harping about the Scriptures and the law, and all the time they were the enemies of Christ, for, said He, though they give testimony of me, you will not come to me that you may have life." They went astray from the truth and from their Savior though they searched the Scriptures because they would not hear Christ. They were Protestants in a sense, those Pharisees, protesting against Christ. You Protestants simply pre- judge the case when you construe the words, "Search the Scriptures" into a universal command upon all to determine their religion by their own private interpretation of the Bible. The text to be an incontrovertible argument in your favor would have to bear evidence on its face of a universal injunction, as you propose to make it appear as a command imposed on all to "search the Scriptures," and "think for themselves." But the text will not bear this general or universal extension as it was spoken by Christ to a "small" class and not in the nature of a command either, but of a special particular argument against his carnal enemies.

To illustrate, you might be told by a friend of Ingersoll that that arch infidel has never written or spoken a word against divine revelations. Your first prompting, no doubt, would be to tell that gentleman or lady to "search his printed lectures." This is what is called in logic an argumentum ad hominem, or a turning of the argument or statement against the adversary. Now, I ask you, common sense being judge, could there be found any Christian so dull of apprehension as to imagine that you thereby encourage the reading of Ingersoll's blasphemous effusions? Of course the Bible and Ingersoll's lectures are two extremes infinitely distant in every point of view the one from the other, so that the proper reading of the one should be encouraged, while the reading of the other cannot in conscience be allowed, except for the purpose of refutation.

The Holy Bible then simply records the words of Christ turning the argument against the unbelieving Pharisees, as you might against the friend of Ingersoll in the case given. The straining effort to construe the words of Our Blessed Lord into a universal injunction to read the Scriptures as our sole rule of faith is worthy of a Protestant but is a poor tribute to faith and reason.

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HAPPILY WEDDED.

Beautiful Ceremony at the Church of Our Lady of Victory.

One of the prettiest ceremonies ever witnessed in this city was that seen at the church of Our Lady of Victory on Pleasant street last Tuesday morning. It was the double marriage of Edward J. Ryan, business manager of THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL, to Miss Ida Stumps, and Eugene Savard to Miss Ida Goyotte. Miss Stumps and Mr. Savard are cousins and the four parties to the nuptials have always been warm friends.

At 9 o'clock the organ, presided over by Miss Eva Taylor, pealed forth a merry wedding march and the bridal couple entered the church, which was filled to overflowing with friends and acquaintances of the two young couples. First came Mr. Ryan's ushers, Thomas H. Donovan and Willard A. Marakle, of THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL, next came Mr. Savard's ushers, Lewis B. Savard and Eugene Doucette. Following the ushers came the two bridal couples, Mr. Ryan and Miss Stumps leading. The procession moved in this order until the foot of the altar was reached, when the ushers ranged themselves in line, two on each side, and allowed the bridal party to proceed through up the steps. The ushers then took their places behind the parties about to be wedded.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. A. A. Notebaert of the Church of Our Lady of Victory, assisted by Revs. Felix O'Hanlon and M. J. Clune of St. Mary's. The contracting parties made their responses in firm and clear tones. When the ceremony was concluded Mr. Donovan and Mr. Marakle awaited, at the foot of the altar, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and escorted them to their seats on the left side of the center aisle; Mr. Savard and Mr. Doucette performed a similar service for Mr. and Mrs. Savard, who occupied pews on the right side. When this had been done the nuptial mass was celebrated by Father Notebaert. The choir furnished beautiful music, the Salve Regina being exceptionally well rendered. Haydn's mass in B flat was chanted in honor of Mr. Savard, who is a member of the choir. The altar presented a magnificent spectacle, nearly one hundred and fifty candles being lighted on the high altar and that of Our Lady of Lourdes. This was due to the Young Ladies' Society of the French Church of which both brides were members.

At the conclusion of the mass, the bridal party left the church in the following order: Mr. and Mrs. Savard, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan, the ushers last. When seated in their carriages they received the congratulations of the many friends assembled.

The brides were arrayed in white and each carried a handsome bouquet of roses. The grooms and ushers wore Prince Albert suits and a boutonniere. White kid gloves were worn by Mr. and Mrs. Ryan and their ushers, while corn was the color of those of Mr. and Mrs. Savard and their attendants.

Mr. and Mrs. Ryan held a reception at 58 Lower North avenue, while Mr. and Mrs. Savard received their friends at No. 54 Hudson street. Both were largely attended, Father Notebaert's presence enhancing the pleasure at both receptions. When at Mr. and Mrs. Ryan's Father Notebaert, after extending his hearty congratulations to the newly married couple, referred in feeling terms to the pleasure he felt at uniting in holy matrimony two such representative young Catholics. "The bride," said he, has been for many years a faithful member of my congregation and a good Catholic, as was her mother before her. The groom is also a good Catholic, as is evinced by the Catholic work his life is devoted to—that of publishing a Catholic paper. I believe and hope in the years to come the JOURNAL will continue to grow and prosper until it shall be a power for good.

In the afternoon both of the happy couples left for a western trip after which they will take up their home in this city, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan at 58 Lower North avenue and Mr. and Mrs. Savard at 54 Hudson street.

The wedding presents received by

both parties were many and beautiful. May the choicest of Heaven's blessings be showered upon Mr. and Mrs. Ryan is the sincere wish of the editors of THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

DIOCESAN NEWS.

Rev. J. J. Hickey, of Waterloo, left Monday morning for Pittsburgh, Pa., from which place he will join a party for Cincinnati and St. Louis.

Penn Yan.

Joe O'Brien, of Canandaigua, was in town last Sunday.

The handsome picture of St. Patrick, on which tickets were sold at the last fair, was raffled last week, Rev. Eugene Pagani holding the lucky number.

Ex-trustee, Edward Donahue, has had an arc-light placed in front of his building, the Arcade.

Messrs. R. Ryan and James Flahive, have returned from a successful fishing expedition to Sodus Point, N. Y.

Miss Mary Denan has purchased an interest in the millinery store of Miss A. E. Finocan.

Mrs. R. B. Maher and daughter are the guests of Mrs. J. Fahy, of Rochester. Mr. A. M. Branstone has opened a tailor shop in the rear of Dennison's clothing store.

Geneseo.

Mrs. J. C. Morrison, of Chicago, Ill., was the guest of relatives here this week. She returns to her home next week, after a nine week's visit.

Martin Kelly of Avon, was the guest of his son, James L. Kelly, here last week.

Miss Kate Tonor of Rochester, spent Sunday with her mother.

John Kingston and wife of Caledonia, visited with relatives here this week.

Miss Rose McEhan of this village, and James Craigo of Mount Morris, were married at St. Mary's Church, on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Father Hickey officiating.

Mrs. Nancy Gallagher, mother of Mrs. Peter Carragher of this village, died at her home in Avon, on Friday, the 4th inst., at the age of 61 years. The deceased had been sick for the past three months, and yet no murmur escaped her lips. Her superior qualities of mind and heart had endeared her to her many friends who now mourn her departure. Her funeral, which was very largely attended, took place from St. Agnes' Church, Avon, at 1 o'clock, Rev. Father Hendricks officiating. She leaves surviving her, a husband, three daughters, a son and two sisters, who reside in Chicago, who have the sympathy of a large number of friends here and in Avon in this their sad bereavement.

The forty hours adoration commenced in St. Mary's Church on Sunday last at 11 o'clock mass and closed Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock solemn high mass. Each morning there were masses and in the evenings sermons, which were interesting and instructive and were well attended. Rev. Father Flaherty of Mt. Morris, preached Sunday evening; Rev. Father Hendrick of Livonia, Monday evening, and Rev. Father FitzSimons of Lima, Tuesday evening. Besides those priests named there was Rev. Father Hendricks of Avon, Rev. Fathers Day and Rauber of Dansville present. The altar was beautifully decorated with flowers and potted plants. The choir, assisted by Win. Toole, cornetist, rendered some excellent music.

Brockport.

George Harrison has returned from his visit in the west.

Mrs. James Cotter is visiting relatives and friends in Rochester.

Mrs. Cullen, who has been the guest of Mrs. Charles Cowan, returned to Rochester Thursday.

Miss Lena B. Farrell has gone to Jersey City, where she intends to make her future home.

Mr. and Mrs. Matthews of Olean, are the guests of Charles Matthews and wife. Mrs. Brady and daughter Maggie left here for the West Tuesday. The former will stop in Chicago and the latter will extend her journey to Denver.

George Doyle has sold his custom clothing business to Messrs. Lester and Casey and is now employed by them as cutter.

Geneva.

The annual Fall fair closed here Thursday, Oct. 2, it being one of the most successful of several years. Daily attendance 7,000.

Miss Katie Kane of this place, has been engaged as sister-in-law with Burke, FitzSimons, Hone & Co., of Rochester.

The members of "Ogogo Hose Co." are very busy in preparation for their fair, which opens Monday, Oct. 13, and closes the 20th.

Three masses will now be celebrated at St. Francis de Sales Church each Sunday instead of two as heretofore. It has been a long felt want of the congregation.

A social hop will be given by the members of the "Half Past Twelve Club" Wednesday evening at Doves Hall.

The Culross Bakeries.

Always have a supply of bread, cake, pies, etc., made from the purest and best ingredients. Nothing else is used in goods sold at 30 and 499 State St.