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Weekly Church Calendar.

SUN. Feb. 1—St. Bridget, Virgin and Ab-Mon. 2—Purification of the B. V. M. TUES. 3—St. Blase, Bishop and Martyr...

SADLIER'S CATHOLIC DIRECTORY.

At last, in the closing days of January, Sadlier's Directory is offered to the public. The long delay demanded correctness and fullness.

The Catholic population of Buffalo is reported as 160,000; the Directory reduces it to 132,551. Rochester returns 2693 baptisms; the Directory raises it to 2947.

There are mistakes that are unavoidable; but the above indicate an indifference as to accuracy. Is it worth while for a diocesan secretary to take the trouble to gather up all these statistics to have his work so frightfully bungled?

After writing this much a closer examination elicits the fact that the summary palmed off on the victimized buyers of the tardy Directory are the stale figures of 1890.

CATHOLICITY IN ROCHESTER.

Under the above caption, the reverend editor of the Ogdensburg Courier, who recently paid Rochester a visit, has the following complimentary words for this city and diocese:

Of a total population of 140,000 the Catholics number nearly 50,000. They attend sixteen churches and sixteen parishes are divided as follows: English-speaking, 7; German, 1; Polish, 1; with Protestant church in the near vicinity of the city is the magnificent church and towers, which reveal wisdom and judgment and between six and seven attend the services in which we better in the United States parish alone are

three Catholic schools. The zealous rector, Father Kiernan, has his heart and soul in the grand work. Watching every advance of the educational movement, he is quick to adopt the most approved text-books and methods; and, seconded as he is in his efforts by the untiring Father Hartley and the good Sisters of St. Joseph, he is lifting the Catholic schools to a very high standard of excellence.

The zeal of the priests of the Rochester diocese is well known; and this zeal is largely due to the excellent training afforded them by their preparatory studies at St. Andrew's Preparatory Seminary, beside the Bishop's house. Here every opportunity is offered the young students to display their talents and their characters, and the Bishop knows his men thoroughly before they enter the higher seminary.

Bishop McQuaid has spoken and written many forcible things in favor of Catholic education, but his words are more eloquent than his words. He has every reason to be proud of his energetic priests and faithful people.

THE STAGE.

A few weeks ago the Catholic Review had an editorial defending its action in devoting considerable space to criticism of the drama. The Review takes the ground that the stage is a great educator; that most of the plays produced in this country are pure and wholesome; and that a Catholic paper should make a special feature of dramatic criticism, with a view of elevating and purifying the stage of whatever objectionable plays are now produced.

We agree with our contemporary as to the great educational power of the stage, but we must dissent from its estimate of the generality of plays now on the American stage. To be sure there are many plays that can be seen without harm, but there are also many plays that young people, especially, cannot witness, without their moral system suffering a severe shock.

BOOKS AND MAGAZINES.

Catholic Publication Society Company, New York—"Catechetical Instructions of St. Cyril of Jerusalem," from the Italian of Canon D. Fanuchi, by Rt. Rev. F. S. Chataud, D. D., Bishop of Vincennes. A prettily clothed brochure of 34 pages, containing much that will interest those devotionally inclined.

Donohoe's Monthly Magazine, for February, opens with a biographical sketch of its founder, with portrait; Peter McCorry's second letter from Ireland; a good article on the Treatment of the Indians, by Mr. Henry L. Richards; Sayings of Cardinal Newman; A Poem on St. Elias, Patriot and Prophet; The Adoration of the Magi, by Rev. James McKernan; conclusion of the Tale of the Great Fair; The Stage Irishman; Glimpses of Irish Industries; The Dark Ages, by Rev. Morgan M. Sheedy; Kildoonna, a Story, by the author of Bonnie Dunraven; My Visit to La Trappe, by

Thomas A. Dwyer; Youghal, by Rosa Mulholland. With a great variety of other articles.

The Month for January, 1891, is an entertaining number. The opening article, "A Socialist's Dream," by Michael Maher, is a bombshell in the ranks of Edward Bellamy's followers; "The Work of The Bollandists and its Latest Developments," is the title of an able paper by Father Herbert Thurston; "The Miracle of Mercy," a poem by May Probyn, is very pretty; "Lux Munde" is continued; "Glenconoge" is concluded. As usual the book reviews and literary record are very entertaining.

Cardinal James Simor, Archbishop of Grau and Primate of Hungary, died at Grau Friday, January 23d. He was born at Stuhlweissenburg on August 23, 1813. He was the son of a humble cobbler, who eked out a scanty existence in the little town of Stuhlweissenburg. Cardinal Simor's large charities were proverbial throughout Hungary. He attended personally to the wants of the poor in the whole of the surrounding country. A large portion of his revenues were devoted to the sustenance of the poorer members of his clergy, to the maintenance of hospitals, convents and schools. He was no mean artist, and painters and musicians of talent were always certain of a ready welcome at his palace. The magnificent Cathedral of Grau was built by the Cardinal. It is almost an exact copy of St. Peter's at Rome, and is considered to be the finest specimen of architecture in Europe.

REV. FATHER MALONE, editor of the Colorado Catholic, met with what was feared would be a fatal accident while in New York city Thursday last. While walking through Fifty-ninth street, he slipped and fell, striking his forehead with such force upon the pavement as to sustain a fracture of the skull. His life, for a time, was despaired of, but the latest advices indicate that he will recover. Father Malone was in Rochester a few days previous to the accident, and favored this office with a pleasant call.

OUR valued contributor, "J. A. S." commences in this issue a very interesting article on "The Ten Lost Tribes of Israel." He thinks he has solved the mystery of their disappearance, and certainly his arguments are very plausible. We reserve further comment until later.

SENATOR INGALLS will not represent Kansas hereafter in the United States Senate. While Ingall's defeat is not to be deplored, his successor is not reported as being his equal in point of mental qualities.

It now looks as though the Federal force bill was dead and buried. This is as it should be. All honor to the Republican Senators who had the courage of their convictions.

As was to be expected one of the first acts of the new Wisconsin Legislature was the repeal of the infamous Bennett law.

The death of Father John J. Ryan, of the Cathedral, Thurles, occurred a few weeks ago. He was one of the most beloved priests in all Ireland.

Concert in St. Mary's Hall.

The concert for the benefit of the Convent of Mercy, to be given on the 5th of February, will be under the direction of Mr. Abercrombie. The programme will be as follows: Pianoforte solo with violin obligato, Miss Schantz and George Minges; vocal duet, Misses Keyes; recitation, Mr. F. W. McGahan; ballad, "Come Live with Me," Mr. Abercrombie; pianoforte solo, Professor Pabat; song, Mrs. Rampe; recitation, Miss H. L. Reche; song, Miss Sara Hayes; pianoforte, Miss Heidehl; recitation, Mr. Late Heidehl; vocal duet, Mrs. Rampe, Miss Hayes; quartette, "Good Evening," Mrs. Rampe, Miss Hayes, Messrs. Abercrombie and Spaulding.

INTERESTING FACTS.

Diocesan Statistics from Sadlier's Directory.

Sadlier's Catholic Directory for 1891 comes to us with a preface announcing the great pains taken in compilation. Notwithstanding this assertion the book is resplendent with errors. As we have already had our say about these mistakes in another column, we will not pursue the matter further. We copy the statistics concerning this diocese as doubtless interesting to our readers. St. Andrew's preparatory seminary has 39 students; there are four convents, eight hospitals and asylums, four academies and 31 schools. The latter are located as follows:

- Ladies of the Sacred Heart, Academy, Rochester, 80 pupils. Sisters of Mercy, academy, 50 pupils. Academy of Nazareth, convent, 158 girls. Academy of Nazareth, hall, 29 boys. Cathedral, 14 teachers, 385 boys, 423 girls. St. Mary's, 8 teachers, 220 boys, 250 girls. Immaculate Conception, 13 teachers, 381 boys, 369 girls. St. Bridget's, 7 teachers, 203 boys, 217 girls. Sacred Heart free school, 145 girls. St. Joseph's, Brothers of Mary, 295 boys; Sisters of Notre Dame, 230 girls. SS. Peter and Paul's, 9 Sisters of Notre Dame, 250 boys, 260 girls. St. Boniface, 4 Sisters of Notre Dame, 186 boys, 173 girls. Holy Family, 10 Sisters of Notre Dame, 360 boys, 330 girls. St. Michael's, 8 Sisters of Notre Dame, 340 boys, 350 girls. Holy Redeemer, 7 Sisters of Notre Dame, 267 boys, 261 girls. Corpus Christi, 3 teachers, 95 boys, 105 girls. Our Lady of Victory, 2 teachers, 70 boys, 80 girls. Holy Apostles, 3 teachers, 119 boys, 106 girls. St. Patrick's, Seneca Falls, 7 teachers, 195 boys, 206 girls. St. Francis de Sales, Geneva, 5 teachers, 203 boys, 225 girls. St. Mary's, Canandaigua, 5 teachers, 104 boys, 130 girls. Holy Family, Auburn, 3 Sisters of Mercy, 250 boys, 300 girls. St. Mary's, Auburn, 8 teachers, 265 boys, 270 girls. St. Alphonsus, Auburn, 3 teachers, 96 boys, 70 girls. Nativity, B. V. M., Brockport, 3 teachers, 80 boys, 75 girls. Immaculate Conception, Ithaca, 7 teachers, 215 boys, 210 girls. St. Rose, Lima, 3 teachers, 60 boys, 70 girls. St. Agnes, Avon, 3 teachers, 70 boys, 100 girls. St. Mary's, Dansville, 3 teachers, 70 boys, 55 girls. St. Patrick's, Dansville, 3 teachers, 80 boys, 75 girls. St. Michael's, Penn Yan, 4 teachers, 80 boys, 105 girls. Holy Trinity, Webster, 2 teachers, 30 boys, 35 girls. Holy Cross, Charlotte, 2 teachers, 69 boys, 80 girls. St. John's, Greece, 2 teachers, 50 boys, 60 girls. Ladies of Sacred Heart, free school for girls, 100 girls. There are Catholic schools, secular teachers, in Coldwater and Penfield. Where Sisters are not specially designated, Sisters of St. Joseph are understood. One matter of congratulation is the fact that the boys and girls are in almost equal proportion. The recapitulation shows figures as follows: secular priests, 78; priests of the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer, 4; ecclesiastical students in colleges and seminaries, 59 preparatory seminary, 1; academies for young ladies, 3; churches, 91; hospital, 1; orphan asylum, 4; children in parochial schools, 10,650 in the last year there were 9,637; baptisms, adults 104, infants 2,589; marriages, 663; burials, adults 830, infants 401; confirmation, adults 176, infants 1,940; number of Catholics, 77,000.

City Church Directory.

- ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL—Platt street corner Frank. Children's Mass in School Chapel at 8:30 a. m. Masses at 8:30, 8:30, 10:30 a. m. Vespers, Benediction and Sermon, 7:30 p. m. from June to October Vespers at 7:30 p. m. Holy Days, Masses 5:30, 7, and 9 a. m. Vespers 7:30 p. m. Rt. Rev. B. J. McQuaid, Very Rev. Mgr. DeRegge, Chancellor; Rev. J. P. Kiernan, Rector. William Harrington, James E. Hartley, James J. Hartley, Edward J. Hannas, D. D. John B. Van Ness, John P. Quinn. ST. MARY'S—South street near Court. Masses at 7, 8:30, and 10:30 a. m. Vespers, 3:30 p. m. Rev. J. P. Stewart, Rector. Revs. Felix O'Hanlon, Angelo Lugero. IMMACULATE CONCEPTION—Plymouth avenue. Masses at 7, 8 and 10:30 a. m. Vespers at 3 p. m. Very Rev. James F. O'Hare, V. G., Rector. Rev. William Gleason. ST. BRIDGET'S—Gorham street, near N. Clinton. Masses at 8 and 10:30 a. m. Vespers, 3:30 p. m. CHURCH OF THE HOLY APOSTLES—Lyell avenue corner of Austin street. Masses at 8:30 and 10:30 a. m. Vespers, 3:00 p. m. Rev. Timothy C. Murphy, rector. CORPUS CHRISTI—East Main street. Masses at 8 and 10:30 a. m. Vespers, 3:00 p. m. Rev. James J. Leary, Rector. CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROSARY—Rowe street corner of Finch. Mass at 10 a. m. Attended from the Cathedral. OUR LADY OF VICTORY (French)—Pleasant st. Masses at 8 and 10:30 a. m. Vespers, 3:30 p. m. Rev. Alphonse A. Notebaert, Rector. ST. JOSEPH'S (German)—Franklin street near N. Clinton. Masses at 5:30, 6:30, 8, and 10 a. m. Vespers, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Joseph Wirth, Rector. SS. PETER AND PAUL'S (German)—Maple street corner King. Masses at 7:30, 8, and 10 a. m. Vespers, 3 p. m. Masses Holy Days, 6 and 8:30 Rev. Francis Sinclair, Rector. ST. MICHAEL'S (German)—North Clinton street corner Evergreen. Children's Mass at 8, High Mass at 10, Vespers, 3 p. m. Rev. Fridolin Paschal, Rector. HOLY FAMILY (German)—Jay street Masses at 8 and 10 a. m. Vespers on Sunday, 3 p. m. on Holy Days, 7:30 p. m. Rev. Dietrich Laurentz, Rector. HOLY REDEEMER (German)—Hudson street corner Clifford. Masses at 7:45 and 10:00 a. m. Vespers, 3:00 p. m. Rev. Fidelis C. Oberholzer, Rector. ST. FRANCIS XAVIER (Ger.)—Bay st., opp. Third avenue. Masses at 8 and 10 a. m. Vespers, 3:30 p. m. Rev. Matthias J. Hargather, Rector. ST. BONIFACE (German)—Grand street. Masses at 8 and 10 a. m. In summer early Mass held at 7:30. Vespers, 3 p. m. Rev. Herman Renker, Rector. ST. STANISLAUS (Polish)—St. Stanislaus avenue. Mass at 10 a. m. Vespers 3 p. m. Rev. Theophilus Szadinski, Rector. Seneca Falls.

Miss Celia Flanagan returned last Sunday evening to Groton, to resume her labors there.

Solemn High Mass will be celebrated at St. Patrick's church to-morrow (Sunday).

Rumor has it that Rev. Father O'Connor, of St. Bridget's church, Rochester, has been appointed pastor of St. Patrick's church here. While we are glad to have a permanent pastor appointed, we still part with Rev. Father O'Neil with sincere sorrow and regret. While amongst us he has endeared himself to us by his extreme piety, kindly ways, good advice and brilliant preaching. We hope that his mission, wherever he is sent, may be one that will appreciate his brilliant qualities of mind and heart as we do here.

James Mangan and Owen Farron, students of Theology, are home from their respective seminaries for a brief vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clary are rejoicing over the arrival of a girl-baby. Congratulations.

The hop given by the Crescent Social Club on Wednesday evening last was a most decided success in every particular, and the members of the club deserve great praise for the manner in which they conducted the party. During the intermission the male quartette of the club sang several fine selections, and solos and duets by other members were enjoyed by the large number present. The parties of this club always give satisfaction and pleasure.

Again the angel of death has been among us and taken one of our most popular and estimable young ladies, Miss Katie Duffy, who died at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Duffy, on Garden street, of consumption, at 3 a. m. Wednesday. Miss Duffy was universally loved and respected and had hosts of friends wherever she was known. Of a genial and sunny disposition, she was a prime favorite in society. The bereaved parents and family have the heartfelt sympathy of all in this their great hour of affliction. The funeral was attended from St. Patrick's church Friday morning, Rev. Father O'Neil officiating.

Michael and Thomas Duffy, of Rochester, and James, of Cleveland, O., are in town this week, called here by the death of their sister, Miss Katie Duffy.

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