

AROUND THE GLOBE.

Bishop Glorieux, of Boise City, Idaho, has returned from Europe.

Beginning October 18, a Provincial Council will be held at Portland, Oregon.

At Archbishop Kenrick's jubilee the Mass will be sung by sixty Franciscans.

St. Stanislaus Church, Michigan City, Ind., was dedicated by Vicar-General Brammer.

Archbishop Walsh, of Dublin, recently celebrated Mass before the Holy Coat at Treves.

September 21, the convention of the Polish National Alliance of the United States opened in Detroit.

St. Edwards, whose corner stone was recently laid, is the sixtieth Catholic church in Brooklyn.

Sister Mary Marina, superior of St. Ann's Convent of Notre Dame, Baltimore, recently celebrated her silver jubilee.

Rev. Urban Fisher, Ph. D., Mount Angel College, Oregon, speaks fluently eleven and writes and reads in thirty-one different languages.

A petition has been addressed to the Holy Father to hold at the Vatican a universal congress of astronomy to which scientists from all parts of the world will be invited.

One can conceive a faint idea of the accommodation of the Vatican when it is stated that the Pope put 2,200 beds in it at the disposal of the French pilgrims free of charge.

Father Lee, who succeeds Archbishop-elect Chappelle at St. Matthew's, Washington, D. C., is a grandson of Thomas Sim Lee, the second governor of Maryland (1779-1788).

Mrs. Theresa Fair, recently deceased, was the wife of the California millionaire, James G. Fair. She was a pious, generous, Catholic woman and her charities were munificent.

Archbishop Janssens, of New Orleans, have provided the deaf mutes of his diocese with a chaplain who gives sermons in the sign language every Sunday at the Cathedral.

The Sisters of Charity received orders to vacate the five houses of succor which they have hitherto occupied in the fifth arrondissement of Paris by the first of October, the government having appointed a secular administration for them.

Rev. Father Ludwig Classen, of the Redemptorist order, celebrated his silver jubilee at St. James' Church, Baltimore, this week. Father Classen is about 70 years of age. He came to America in 1874, and soon after his arrival, settled in Baltimore.

A Catholic Chief Judge, M. Thumboo Chettiar, has been confirmed in his appointment as Chief Judge of the High Court of Mysore. The Judge has received the sum of 5,000 rupees per annum as his pension from the Madras government. — [Mylopore Catholic Register].

Mr. W. F. Markoe, Cor. Secretary of the Catholic Truth Society of America, has just forwarded his sixth quarterly report. The total membership of the society is now 607. It has distributed, during the quarter ending Sept. 10, a total of 11,942 of books, pamphlets and leaflets.

Joseph Degorzague, an Indian of the Abernethy tribe, was recently ordained by Mgr. Gravel, of Nicolet, P. Q. He is said: (*Ave Maria*) to be the first genuine representative of his race, the first full-blooded North American Indian, to be crowned with the dignity of the priesthood. Father Degorzague has three sisters who are nuns.

Sept. 28, the marble statue of the Pope, presented to the University at Washington, D. C., was unveiled. Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishops Corrigan and Williams were present. Bishop Keane delivered the principal address. The statue cost over \$20,000 and has occupied Giuseppe Luchetti, one of the best known Italian artists over a year to complete.

The pontifical decree and brief proclaiming the Blessed Virgin patroness of the Belgian Congo has just been published. The decree is signed by Cardinal Alois-Masella, Prefect of the Sacred Congregation of Rites, and by Mgr. Vincenzo Nussi, secretary of the same congregation. The brief is signed by Cardinal Ledochowski. The decree relates what has been done by the King of Belgium and by others of that country for the spread of the Gospel, and refers to the temple which he hopes will be erected in the Congo in honor of the Blessed Virgin, and that August 15, the Feast of Assumption, may be considered the patronal feast.

OUR ROMAN LETTER.

Special to THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

Several pilgrimages to Rome are being organized in northern Italy.

Monsignor Hass, Bishop of Basle and Legnano, will shortly arrive in Rome, charged with the mission of proposing and promoting the cause of Blessed Marie de Salzy, a Swiss Visitation Nun.

AN INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS.

The Pope is now organizing an International Congress to be held in 1892 at Fribourg, Switzerland, for the purpose of organizing a European Catholic Democratic Union.

DEATH OF AN AGED LAY BROTHER.

Fra Antonio, a Franciscan lay-brother, who is said to have reached the age of one hundred and eighteen years and six months, died recently in Rome. He was employed in the kitchen, and was much beloved by Pius IX, who playfully called him Fra Cipolla (Brother Onion), and regarded him as a saint.

JOAN OF ARC.

A Paris correspondent says that the Vatican has commenced the examination and discussion of a voluminous bundle of documents, collected by the Sacred Congregation of Rites, concerning Joan of Arc, in consequence of Mgr. Conille's petition for her canonization. The cause of the Maid of Orleans is being upheld by Mgr. Capara.

THE POPE AND DANTE.

The Pope has put 20,000 francs at the disposal of Father Marcellus and Father Domenichelli, who, next month, will issue an edition de luxe of the Latin commentary on the Divina Commedia and Latin version of the poem by Friar Giovanni da Serravalle, who wrote it in the 15th century. There is added an Italian version by Beato Bartholomew da Colle of the Lippe family, who lived at the beginning of the same century. There will be 2,000 copies of the work, and one will be presented to all the principal libraries in the world.

POPE LEO XIII.

Pope Leo XIII, while not over strong, is in excellent health. He has a constitution of iron; his memory is marvellous; names and dates are retained with the most surprising exactitude. He rises at half-past six, says Mass at seven o'clock, and then, until half-past twelve, works, and hard work it is, I can assure you. Half-past twelve is the hour for his frugal dinner; he eats and drinks in an entire day less than most people require for one light lunch. Every day, during the afternoon, when visits and other occupations permit, Leo XIII takes carriage exercise in his gardens. At nine o'clock the Sovereign Pontiff takes a very light supper. He then shuts himself in his apartments to write until half-past eleven.

NEW DOMINICAN GENERAL.

Sept. 20, a new General of the Dominican order was elected at Lyons, France. The Dominicans are of Spanish origin and established all over the world. Its members are men of great learning. They are divided in France by provinces: Paris, Lyons and Bordeaux, each possessing a Provincial, who is elected for twelve years. Should a General die during his term of office, the Provincial of that place where the next election is destined to be held, becomes the General, until arrangements can be made for the reunion of all the heads of the order under one roof.

Lyons being the place named for the next election, the Rev. Pere Labore, since the death of the General, Pere Laroca, which took place in the beginning of this year, has acted in his stead.

The election of a General of the Dominicans is almost as important as the formation of a Cabinet in the civic world, and the mode of procedure is very like that of the worldly function.

The permission of the Holy Father is necessary before all the Provincials can reunite. Each Provincial must be accompanied by a substitute, who, in case of necessity, can vote in his place. The personal votes of the following persons are obligatory: The Electors by right, the Cardinals belonging to the order, the Grand Master of the Vatican Palace (who is always a Dominican), and the three delegates elected by each province. When the election is over the name of the General is submitted to the Holy Father, who can, if he so wishes, annul it, and, Motu Proprio, name a General of his own choice.

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Nearly 1,000,000 persons have already visited the Holy Coat at Treves. At present there are 450 Catholic papers published in Germany.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

Special to THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

Father Herman Walmesley, S. J., has been appointed rector of Stonyhurst College.

The new governor of the Punjab, Sir Dennis Fitzpatrick, K. C. S. I., is a son of Dr. Fitzpatrick, Bagot street, Dublin, and has a brother a priest and a sister a nun.

The Right Rev. Bishop Pascal, O. M. I., Vicar Apostolic of Saskatchewan, left Liverpool on board the Sardinian. His Lordship is taking with him two young oblates and three other clerics.

Sir Ambrose Shea, Governor of the Bahamas, who is at St. John's, Newfoundland, on a visit, has been presented with an address by the inhabitants congratulating him on the success of his administration of the Bahamas.

Lord Herries, in opening a bazaar at Kircudbright, on the 10th inst., to raise funds for building a new Kircudbrightshire museum, made an interesting speech on the antiquities of Galloway. The caves of St. Ninian and Kirkmaiden were, he said, the earliest relics of Christianity in the British Isles.

The order of the Oblates of Mary is publishing in periodical form a very interesting record of the missions under its charge. The new missionary magazine is published at the Oblate's house of retreat, Inchicore, Dublin, under the title of "The Missionary Record of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate."

A pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of the Dunes (*Notre Dame des Dunes*), held in great honor by Dunkirk people, has begun. The chapel, which is situated in a quaint little square in the vicinity of the harbor, and a few steps distant from the English church, is visited from the 7th to the 18th of September by throngs of pilgrims.

A Catholic victory was scored at the City Parochial Board, Glasgow, when, by a majority, it was decided to remunerate the priest who attends to the poor falling under the board's care. No board in Scotland has, hitherto, paid a Catholic chaplain, and to the City Parochial Board belongs the honor of having initiated so equitable a practice.

A controversy has arisen in the French press with regard to ex-President Grevy's last moments. Some papers maintain that he remained a freethinker to the last, and others declare that he received the last Sacraments before death. The latter is, we believe, the true statement. The Bishop of St. Claude officiated at the functions and a number of priests were present.

Another notable conversion is announced. The Rev. John B. de Camm, formerly of the 12th Royal Lancers, rector of Monkton Wyld, Dorset, whose son, a curate of St. Agnes, Kentington, recently joined the Church, has followed his example and been received at L'Abbe de St. Benoit-Maredons, in Belgium. Mr. de Camm was on a visit to his son who is a Benedictine. From 1866 to 1869 Mr. de Camm was curate at Horsham and was then appointed vicar, and afterwards rector of Monkton Wyld.

SAYING THE BEADS.

The Rest and Calm Which Come From This Beautiful Devotion.

"One of the most successful professional men of my acquaintance," says a well-known journalist, "prefers the devotion of the beads to any of the beautiful ceremonies of the Church of which he is regarded as a faithful member. He states that he has time and again gone to and from his office, turning in his coat pocket the pair of beads presented to him by a very intimate friend. I find," he said to the writer, "that aside from the devotional part of the action, it gives me the calmest rest I can desire, and clears my mind better than any mental exercise I ever tried."

To some extent, young men dislike to say the beads in church or elsewhere because of the length of time required. But ever this is not a valid excuse, for the reason that they can say them more quickly than they can read an entertaining newspaper, and go through with them more easily than they can read the ordinary of the Mass. The real reason of the neglect, however, is found in a certain false pride that springs up in the minds of young men when prayers and religion are mentioned. They forget that the men who pray are the men on whom the majority settle honors, and lose sight of the fact that a sanctified soul never fails in producing a clear mind and a healthy body.

RECOLLECTIONS.

Western Catholic News.

There is no costume, occupation or profession under the design of which malignity should be permitted to lurk unexposed.

At a late convention of the Catholic Press Association in New York City, an incident occurred in which a clerical editor, and now one of the prominent officers of that association, took a conspicuous part.

One of the members of the association named was sick at the time the association convened and could not be personally present, in lieu of which he sent a letter, which wound up with the following: "Were I present at the convention, I would bring before it for consideration the attitude of the Catholic press of the United States toward the local clerical maligners of the church. In every city of the United States there is one or more of this class of vile calumniators of our holy religion who are guided by no other rule than inherent hatred, the essential principle of bigotry, prejudice, and jealousy."

No sooner had the secretary read the letter than the clerical editor referred to sprang to his feet and said, in a very exorable manner, "That means me!" A guilty conscience needs no accuser. The gentleman had made a most vindictive attack, through his paper, on one of the most distinguished and energetic bishops in the United States, although the writer of the letter referred to was not aware of the fact at the time the letter was written. But the clerical editor denounced the letter, and used his utmost influence to have it returned to the writer, but failed—utterly failed. The presence of the said editor in Chicago calls up the memory of the uncharitable and unchristian attack of the priest on a sick man who was absent and unable to reply; and cowardice on the part of his lying prompters, who insidiously assailed an honest man through a minister of the church, thinking he would not defend himself. But they counted without their hosts. The writer of that letter will always defend himself against malignant attacks, let them come from where they may.

THE PRIEST.

Springfield, Mass., Catholic Tribune.

The priest must be a man chosen by God Himself to labor in His vineyard. He must receive his mission from God, for in order to be a true priest he must be possessed of that sacred character which entitles him to stand between God and mankind and to offer sacrifice for them.

A candidate for holy orders knows and feels that when the Bishop imposed his hands upon him he became a priest. He feels within himself that he has the power to administer the sacraments and preside at the sacrifice of the mass. The Catholic church exercises the greatest of care and precaution with candidates for her ministry. In order that they may be properly educated and qualified for their work the Church obliges them to study for many years. Education does not make a man; much less a priest. His aim must be to each day become more and more pleasing in the sight of God.

In her anxiety for the sanctity of her priests the Church has removed the cause of the obstacles and difficulties that stand in the way of its attainment and continuance by ordering that the life of the priest shall be one of perpetual chastity.

In order that the candidate may properly understand the dangers and difficulties which result from human frailty it has been wisely ordained that no man shall receive holy orders until he has completed his 22nd year, and that at the time he must be perfectly free when he takes upon himself the obligation of celibacy. The priest is not left alone to struggle against the dangers which common humanity is heir to. The prayers he is bound to recite each day and the mass which he offers draws down upon him showers of benedictions. The prayers of the faithful are always with him; they are prayers that come from the hearts of a pious people who believe that he stands between them and their God; that he is the instrument by which, through the will of God, eternal salvation is obtained. Better, far better, for a priest that he had never been born than to unworthily administer the rites and sacraments of God's Church.

Bishop Verin, of Marquette, has departed for Rome.

The Catholic Church in process of erection near Sioux Rapids, Iowa, was burned recently together with the priest's residence.

Catholic Societies.

Official Organ C. M. B. A.

All communications to this department should be addressed to Bro. T. H. Donovan.

SOCIETIES MEET NEXT WEEK.

Monday—Branches 81, 93.
Tuesday—Branches 82, 139.
Wednesday—Branches 34, 117, 134.
Friday—Branch 87.

Branch 134 initiated one candidate Monday evening.

Home again! To the members of the different societies who endeavored to make our trip a pleasant one, we return sincere thanks.

Branch 81 initiated one new member at its last meeting and will do likewise by another candidate at the next meeting. The branch is discussing the advisability of holding a series of parties during the winter.

With the advent of cooler weather greater interest will be taken in the meetings of our Catholic societies. We again request the secretaries of such organizations to send us in any items of interest to their fellow-members.

Last week's C. M. B. A. Weekly contained the account given by the Journal of the reception recently tendered Grand President Hynes. We regret to state, however, that no credit was given to this paper. "Credit where, etc., etc." Brother Deare.

The arrangement committee for last summer's reunion of the Rochester branches of the C. M. B. A. met in the rooms of branch 81, Sunday afternoon and settled up the business of the reunion; \$160 was the net sum realized. An important action taken by the members present was that tending to the formation of a central organization of the C. M. B. A. in this city. The matter is to be brought before the various branches soon and, it is to be hoped, such an organization formed.

AUBURN.

Bro. William O'Neill, of branch 105, is visiting friends in Buffalo.

Brother Matthew Murphy, of branch 105, is in Syracuse visiting friends.

Branch 105, C. M. B. A., are refitting their pleasant rooms in Genesee street. They are putting in new windows and adding to and beautifying their rooms to accommodate the rapid growth of the society.

SOCIETIES IN THE DIOCESE.

At Cayuga, a short distance west of Auburn, Branch 118, C. M. B. A., is located. Our stay here was brief, but long enough to make the acquaintance of Bro. Jas. Houlihan, financial secretary of the branch, a brother who evidently takes great interest in the organization and all that pertains to its welfare.

Seneca Falls was reached Monday afternoon and, as we were informed Branch 28 would meet that evening, we gladly made use of the opportunity to attend the meeting. Branch 28 is one of the oldest branches in the diocese. Its membership is large, and the attendance at the regular meetings most gratifying. The present headquarters of the branch are in a cozy room, tastefully furnished, in the business portion of the village. We understand that, in the near future, the branch will meet in the building recently purchased by Father O'Connor for the use of the Catholic Club—an organization which is expected to secure many members from among the young men of the congregation. At the meeting of Branch 28, one thing particularly noticeable was the prompt way in which the business of the evening was carried on. There was no senseless arguing over petty questions, as is the case in many branches. Everything moved swiftly and smoothly along and at nine o'clock, although one candidate was initiated and three balloted for, the meeting was ready to adjourn.

The Father Matthew Total Abstinence Society is one which has existed in Seneca Falls for some years, and has done much good work in guarding young men against the evils of intemperance.

Neither the C. M. B. A. nor the C. B. L. is represented at Geneva; but there is abundant material in this lively young city for both a branch and a council, as the Catholics form a large proportion of the population and are well represented in business.

In Ithaca a council of the C. B. L. was established about two years ago. Its progress has been steady since that time, and, at present, the membership is about forty. Among the members of Council 357 whom we had the pleasure of meeting were Dennis

McNamara and Thos. Kelly.

If all the other members are as courteous and agreeable, Ithaca has Catholic young men to be proud of. Here, too, is a temperance society of some forty members strong, which has done excellent work in past years. Several instances were cited to us of men who, through joining the society and living up to its principles, had conquered their intemperate habits and become respected and honored citizens.

Penn Yan is the home of Branch 125, C. M. B. A. About thirty names are found on the roll of the branch. Many of the members are engaged in business in the village. The rooms occupied by the branch are as fine as can be found at any place along the line. The room in which the meetings are held is large, well-lighted and comfortably furnished. A handsome carpet covers the floor. Back of this room and connected with it by great sliding doors is a large hall in which parties, balls or entertainments of any kind may be held. We received a truly fraternal greeting from Bros. Curran, Meade, Barre, Mahar and other members whom we met in Penn Yan and shall always have pleasant recollections of our visit there.

Branch 142, of Canandaigua, is comparatively young, but has already a good membership, and, with the field in which it has to work, is doubtless destined to become a particularly strong branch. Sec'y Widman and Bro. Craugh were the only members whom we chanced to meet during our brief stay in Canandaigua.

It is gratifying to notice the pride taken by the members of the various branches and councils throughout the diocese in their local organizations. With the exception of one or two of the city branches, those in the country places have by far the most pleasant quarters in which to hold meetings. In other words, there is scarcely a branch in any of the towns of the diocese that has not more comfortable quarters than those occupied by three-fourths of the Rochester branches. In most cases the rooms of the branches outside the city are open to the members every evening. In Rochester, this is not the case, as the rooms are not sufficiently attractive to become a favorite meeting place of the members. Time, however, will bring about a different condition of affairs, let us hope.

We believe there are still many places in the diocese in which there is room for one or more good Catholic societies. It, therefore, behooves the chief officers of the C. B. L., C. M. B. A. and other Catholic organizations to be on the move.

C. R. B. A.

A council has been instituted at East Albany, N. Y., with one hundred and sixty-eight charter members.

An application for charter has been received from Jersey City, N. J.

Knights of St John Baptist.

The following officers have been elected to serve for the ensuing year by the Knights of St. John the Baptist: Pres., Chas. A. Parr; vice-pres., Henry LaCasse; sec'y, Eugene Doucette; treas., Louis B. Savard; captain, Chas. A. Parr; 1st lieutenant, Alfred Stone; 2nd lieutenant, Eugene Doucette; 1st sergeant, Chas. F. Parr; 2nd sergeant, Jos. Roy; quarter-master sergeant, Frank Bedard.

SOMETHING TO IMITATE.

Ogdensburg Courier.

Bishop McQuaid has addressed a letter to his priests and people, in which he announces the result of his appeal to the diocese for the funds needed to erect the Diocesan Theological Seminary of St. Bernard. The sixty-eight priests of the diocese contributed forty-one thousand five hundred dollars—an average of \$610 for each. This is, indeed, an extraordinary showing, and evidences the deep interest taken by his clergy in the great work of the bishop. At the laying of the corner-stone, the laity of the diocese came forward with a gift of twenty-three thousand dollars, making in all a total of \$64,500—about six-sevenths of the total cost of the new seminary. Of such a showing the Bishop of Rochester may well be proud. The undertaking was colossal for so small a diocese, but the result demonstrates that a will ever finds a way.

A visit to the city or diocese of Rochester will make clear all the bishop's claims. He knows his own and they know him. The consequence is that our country can show no better organized or prosperous diocese than that presided over by Bishop McQuaid.

DIOCESAN NEWS.

To Our Correspondents.

In order to go to press earlier, we will hereafter set up correspondence not in this office by Thursday morning. Any letters which arrive later will be published the following week.

Clyde.

Miss McGrath has returned from Canada.

Mary Welch is home from Canandaigua on a short visit.

Bishop McQuaid administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to a large class, Sunday, Sept. 27, at 4 p.m. The church was tastefully decorated for the occasion with plants and flowers by the young of the congregation. Father Gleeson sang the high mass. Before Confirmation the Bishop spoke to the children of the great Sacrament, they were about to receive. After Confirmation he again addressed the class.

Macedon.

Mrs. Nelson has moved to Fairport.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Gratian are receiving congratulations—a daughter.

Rose McNiff and Fannie Fitzgerald, of Phelps, have been visiting relatives in town.

Maggie Holmes, of Auburn, has been visiting her brother, Rev. M. A. F. Holmes.

James Fitzgerald, a respected citizen of St. Parish, died the past week after a short illness, at the advanced age of 85 years. The funeral was held at St. Patrick's church, Rev. M. A. F. Holmes officiating.

Mr. M. P. Quinn, who has been clerk in the grocery of F. O. Johnson who is also postmaster, has been appointed deputy postmaster in place of E. W. Gridley, who has secured a position as railroad postal clerk.

Phelps.

The Forty Hours' Devotion will begin here shortly.

Mrs. Ollie Broshand is visiting relatives in Corning.

Rose Fitzgerald, who has been visiting friends in Palmyra and vicinity has returned.

Rose McNiff, who has been visiting friends and relatives in Macedon and vicinity for the past week has returned.

Seneca Falls.

Nora Sheehan, of Elmira, has entered the employ of Miss Kate McParland, the milliner, as head trimmer.

Anna Flanagan, daughter of Policeman Miles J. Flanagan, left Monday, for Rochester to enter Nazareth Convent school.

Mrs. Thos. Carroll and sisters, Mary and Katie Gargan, and Sarah Finnegan returned last Saturday from a ten days' visit in New York city.

Danville.

Rev. Father Day preached a stirring sermon on Temperance last Sunday.

Maggie E. Barrett, of New York, who has been visiting friends here, will return Monday. Alice Rowan will accompany her.

At a regular meeting of the Children of Mary, Sunday evening, Miss Barbara Dougherty was vice-president in place of Maggie Dunn, who has gone to Duluth.

C. M. B. A. headquarters have been moved from Hedges' block to more commodious rooms over the Citizens Bank. When the members repaired thither on Thursday evening, they found the ladies had possession and tables beautifully spread. Of course, all idea of a business meeting was abandoned, and the evening was given up to social enjoyment.

Avon.

The choir of St. Agnes' church had a pleasant drive to Caledonia last Sunday, and they also stopped at the Fish-pond.

Caledonia.

Peter H. Callan, of Rochester, was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Campbell are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, John Carmody, formerly of the place, now of Honeye was in town this week.

Minnie Burke, of the Rochester Homoeopathic Hospital, died last Monday.