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## AROUND THE GLOBE.

Actor W. J. Florence is leaving his entire estate to his wife, has been filed for probate.

Bishop Loughlin, the head of the Catholic diocese of Brooklyn, was 74 years old Sunday, Dec. 20. He was born on Dec. 20, 1817, in the parish of Clapdulf, county Down, Ireland.

Rev. Charles Warren Currier, the eloquent Redemptorist, has accepted the invitation of the Spanish consul to be one of the commissioners to represent Boston at the Columbus centenary in Chicago.

Cablegrams from Rome received at the City of Mexico announce the pre-nomination of Prospero M. Alarcon, Eulogio Gantow, Jacinto Lopez and Jose Y. Sainas, as the Archbishops of Mexico, Oaxaca, Linares and Durango respectively.

A solemn requiem high mass was celebrated at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception, Albany, Dec. 16, for the repose of the soul of the late Bishop Wadhams. Fred Wadhams and family and several relatives of the late bishop were present.

The Drexel Institute of art, science and industry, built and endowed by Anthony J. Drexel was dedicated Dec. 17. The building cost \$600,000, and the endowment fund is \$1,000,000. The building is 125 feet front and 130 feet deep, four stories, and will accommodate about 2,000 students.

Exchanges report three deaths in Mt. de Sales convent, Baltimore, within a week, in the persons of the venerable Mother Mary Julia Freeman, aged 73, Sister Directress Mary Francis Bunting, and Sister Regina, a widely-known visitation nun, who served 24 years—four terms—as a superior.

Regarding the reported illness of Archbishop Kenrick, of St. Louis, *Church Progress* says: His Grace has been suffering from a slight attack of la grippe, but his indisposition has developed no serious aspect, we are glad to be able to say. Although burdened with more than eighty years, Archbishop Kenrick has still a sound constitution, which promises *ad multos annos*.

A despatch was received at the Catholic mission at Ghent, Dec. 21, from Father Rutgos, the vicar-apostolic of Mongolia, stating that Father Min, a Chinese priest, and a thousand native Christians were massacred by the rebels during the recent troubles in northern China. The despatch stated, however, that all the Belgian missionaries in the disturbed district, and the Belgians connected with their work were safe and that assistance had arrived which would prevent further danger for the present, at least.

Rt. Rev. Charles Emilie Freppel, Bishop of Angers, the well-known clerical member of the Chamber of Deputies, died in Paris, Dec. 22. Mgr. Freppel was born June 1, 1827, at Obernai, in what was once the French department of the Lower Rhine, but is now a portion of the German Reichsland of Elsass-Lothringen. Being professor of sacred eloquence in the faculty of theology at Paris, he acquired a distinction as a lecturer and writer. In 1862 he preached the Lenten sermons in the Chapel of the Tuilleries, and in 1867 was made dean of the Church of Sainte Genevieve.

Wm. H. Hughes, editor of the *Michigan Catholic*, has received the following letter from Rev. D. J. O'Connell, rector of the American College at Rome: "The presentation of the two beautiful copies of your 'Souvenir Volume of the Centennial Celebration' afforded the greatest pleasure to His Holiness and to Cardinal Simoni. They both turned over the pages with the greatest interest, examining the photographs most closely and making pleasant remarks as they recognized some well-known faces. Both were full of admiration for the exquisite manner in which you accomplished your task, and each sends you many thanks."

The largest Catholic parish in this country in point of numbers is said to be St. Stanislaus Kostka's, Chicago. This is a Polish American congregation, and the priests in charge of it belong to the Congregation of the Resurrection, a society that has but one other house in the country, down in Kentucky. There are usually ten or a dozen priests attached to St. Stanislaus church, the great majority of them being, of course, Polish ones, though an Irish-American one is generally found in the list; and the number of people in the parish mounts up into the tens of thousands, and doubtless much in excess of any other American congregation.

## OUR LONDON LETTER.

Special to THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

It is rumored that Rev. Dr. Keane, O.P., has been appointed to the Bishopric of Waterford.

The first number of the daily *Irish Independent*, organ of the Parnellites, appeared December 18.

Alderman Horgan has been re-elected to the office of Mayor of Cork by twenty-four votes against twenty given for P. F. Dunn, the Nationalist candidate.

It is said that in the early part of 1892 a cardinal's hat will be given one of the Irish Archbishops. The one now mentioned is Archbishop Logue, of Armagh.

The election of Redmond is the first victory the Parnellites have achieved. It has delighted the Tories, who hope it will have the effect of keeping the dissensions among the Irish people alive.

In Limerick, a warm contest took place between the outgoing Parnellite mayor, and D. F. McNamara, who was nominated by the Nationalists, but the latter was elected by twenty votes to eighteen cast for Alderman Riordan.

The death of the Duke of Devonshire, which transfers the Marquis of Huntingdon to the house of lords, is a very important political event. Politicians are busy forecasting the ultimate results. There is little doubt felt that the Gladstonians will be able to capture the district of Rosendale when Lord Hartington enters the upper house. The district is one of the most radical in all the Lancashire divisions.

It is intimated that parliament will be called upon to give Prince Albert Victor, \$75,000 and the Princess \$25,000 a year to help them keep house. One Tory newspaper does not object to the suggestion that, as parliament may refuse to give anything, the Lord Mayor should start a fund at the Mansion House, with which to lower the young couple, "in order to demonstrate the national gratification."

Archbishop Walsh and Michael Davitt, in their eagerness for peace in Ireland, at least during the holy Christmas season, made proposals, that the contest in Waterford should be deferred for a time. Davitt's idea was that the vacancy should not be filled until the general election; the Archbishop suggested the postponement of the election until after the holidays. Both proposals were, however, scornfully rejected by the factionists.

Rt. Hon. Joseph Chamberlain delivered an address in Edinburgh on the 15th inst. on the political situation, with special reference to Irish Home Rule. A Dublin Parliament, Mr. Chamberlain said, would be a doubtful blessing to Ireland. The majority would, in all probability, attempt to force, Ulster, and then there would be a civil war, upon which the local people of Great Britain could not look with indifference. Mr. Chamberlain was as emphatic as Lord Salisbury in predicting a civil war as the result of Irish Home Rule.

Mayor Grant, of New York, while on his recent visit to his aunt, Mrs. Dempsey, Sugar Island, Newry, proceeded to Bessbrook spinning mills, where he was introduced to Messrs. Richardson and Harris, who showed him through the mills. Before leaving, the mayor, expressed himself greatly pleased with what he saw, and gave an order for some linen and tablecloths manufactured in the Bessbrook mills. The mayor dined with several prominent men in Newry, and drove out to Lisburn, where he witnessed the hunt of the Newry harriers. He afterwards made calls with several resident gentlemen in the neighborhood. His parents were Irish, and, prior to their departure for America, resided at Mayobridge, near Newry.

Mr. Gladstone, accompanied by Mrs. Gladstone, has left London for Biarritz, to spend the winter months there. The scene upon his arrival at Charing Cross station was one which has grown thoroughly familiar to the people of Great Britain, and particularly to the citizens of London. A great crowd had gathered, and when Mr. Gladstone appeared, he was greeted with hearty cheers from thousands. Mr. Gladstone, accompanied by John Morley, passed through the crowd and entered his compartment, bowing right and left, and smiling cordially at the enthusiasm of the crowd. As the train hauled out of the station, the cheering was renewed, being continued until the train was well on its way to the Channel port, where Mr. Gladstone and his party embarked for France.

## OUR ROMAN LETTER.

Special to THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

His Holiness Leo XIII. has issued an Apostolic letter, re-establishing the Maronite College in the Eternal City.

A committee has been formed at Rome to celebrate the anniversary of the seventieth birthday of the illustrious and most learned Catholic archaeologist De Rossi. A statue is to be raised to him while still alive, with God's blessing, over the entrance to the catacombs of St. Callista, or the applan way, between the tomb of Cecilia Metella and the church *Domine quo vadis*?

Cardinal Ruffo Scilla, to whom the Holy Father gave the red hat at the late consistory, has held many notable honors in the church. Major-domo of the Papal household, he has been Archbishop, also, of Chieti, and nuncio to Munich. He is one of the most exemplary of the Roman ecclesiastics, and his promotion to the cardinalate has been long predicted, though, at one time it is said that the Holy Father was about to recompense his long services and his fidelity by appointing him to the archbishopric of his native city, Naples.

The *Journal des Debats*, of Paris, has had very alarming telegrams sent to it from Rome with regard to the unemployed. The same journal in a leader says that the present ministry will run considerable peril unless something is instantly done. To this, the *Tribune*, the ministerial newspaper, answers in the following words: "That the question is serious is undoubted, and if some means be not soon found to solve the question, not only will it be dangerous for the ministry, but for the public order. We can state, however, that the ministry concerned over the gravity of the situation will be able to take those measures that are necessary, and guarantee that those works which were suspended, will now again be taken up, so that the unemployed may again be given work." This shows that the economies that the government was trying to make are impossible, and it will have to contract new debts to carry on these works, begun by the late premier, in order to keep the men who have been brought here for these works from starving.

## The Pope Speaks.

A cablegram dated Rome, Dec. 26, states: The *Diretto* to-day says that it is the intention of the Pope to confer the grand order of the Cross of Christ upon the Archbishop of Aix as a token of sympathy of His Holiness with the archbishop in the latter's recent trial, conviction and fine for writing a letter classed as insulting to M. Fallieres, the French minister of public worship.

Another cablegram of like import dated from Paris on the same day says: The news has been telegraphed from Rome to this city that the Pope intends to confer the grand order of the Cross of Christ upon the Archbishop of Aix. It is almost needless to add that in the present state of public feeling, when a movement is on foot to separate church and state as one of the results of the Archbishop of Aix's conduct, supported by letters of other distinguished prelates, such a step upon the part of the Vatican is most significant. The Archbishop of Bordeaux has made common cause with Monsignor Gothe-Soulard, in a diocesan letter, which he addresses to all Catholics in France. The Archbishop of Bordeaux defends the right of the members of the episcopate to join in pilgrimages to Rome. According to this prelate, when the Archbishop of Aix wrote as he did, he was not prompted by a wish to fight, but was simply overcome by disgust. The Pope, says the archbishop, has no longer hope in earthly defenders outside the ranks of the devout French Catholics. He knows they are noble-hearted and intrepid, and their blood is easily fired by the complaint of the weak and the cries of insulted virtue and outraged honor. He will find among them avengers as Christ found at Golgotha. The Pope is the head of all in the spiritual order, and French Catholics will never suffer him to be in subjection to any earthly power.

## Brockport.

The new choir at the Catholic church is composed of the following: Sopranos, Misses Margaret Harrison, Margaret Lister, Kittie Harrison, Eva Morgan; Altos, Misses Kittie Doyle, Beatrice Morgan, Mrs. M. J. Graham; Tenors, W. S. Dunn; Basses, Charles Matthews, Edward Shea; organist, Miss Kittie Doyle; director, W. S. Dunn.

## 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 134.  
Wednesday—Branch 88.

## ST. JOSEPH'S V. M. C. A.

The social season and time for enjoyment is again at full blast, and Catholics, as well as others, are entitled to a full share of the healthy, stimulating kind. Many of the leading parishes of the city have provided associations or clubs for their growing generation, which are a potent factor for promulgating the good and combining the pleasant. Notably among these is the Catholic Young Men's Association of St. Joseph's church, under the direction of Rev. A. Pingel, C.S.S.R.

This organization has but shortly entered upon its second year of existence, and is already enjoying a distinction as to marked success among its fellow kind in the diocese. Its roll contains somewhat over one hundred and twenty active members, not including honorary; it has handsomely appointed apartments in the old schoolhouse in the rear of the church, which take up two floors of the same, among which are, notably, the assembly rooms where the business meetings are carried on, and where the literary section, as well as the dramatic section alternately entertain members with semi-monthly pleasant evenings. The former section has instituted a series of debates on popular, as well as other timely subjects, which have proven themselves admirably adapted to enlist the sympathies of the members; these are interspersed with music, both vocal and instrumental, and thus enlivens the time which, otherwise, might, possibly, become tedious through close application to the theme under debate for a very long time.

Then, there is the library, which is a veritable literary treasure, containing the choicest and best in two languages—English and German—that can be offered in 1,500 volumes; and then, the reading tables team with the cream of current literature—all the dailies, as well as the principal weeklies of the city, the place of honor among which is accorded the *Catholic Journal*; besides mechanical and scientific weeklies, as the *Scientific American*, *Illustrated Catholic American*, *New York Architecture and Building Journal*, and a host of others, followed by a galaxy of the best that the prolific monthly press has to offer, Catholic as well as otherwise. The library also contains writing facilities for correspondence, not to forget a handsome Remington typewriter, which has ceased to be an enigma, but has become a practical aid to a great majority of the "bounders."

We come next to the handsomely and well-fitted gymnasium where night classes receive sound physical training under the hands of competent, practical instructors, who are no novices in this branch. This room is a highly interesting one; the eagerness with which the young aspirants follow out in detail their efficient instructions is both amusing (especially when accompanied by a fall) and satisfactory.

But the place that teems with the young men is the room devoted to general amusements, among which are billiards, pool, chess and many kindred games too numerous to mention. Besides the several sections above mentioned, there has recently been started a musical branch, devoted to cultivating the voice, and it is really astonishing what good voices there are among these hundred or more young gentlemen. Under the efficient leadership of Prof. Bauer, the organist of the church, the future certainly promises a very bright outlook for this department.

A little over a year ago, when this association was organized, it was with some misgivings as to how the progress would be; to-day it has proved itself a qualified success, and worth emulating in all parishes. It is a valuable aid to the pastor in more ways than one, and, after once started, will prove, as in the above notable instance that "tall oaks from little acorns grow."

## DEATH OF GRAND MARSHAL MICHAELS.

Brother Herman Michaels, Branch 64, Syracuse, died at his home in that city, Thursday, Dec. 24. He had held the position of Grand Marshal of the

New York State Council for three terms. He took a great interest in the welfare of the organization, and his genial ways won him many warm friends among the members throughout the state. His funeral was held Monday from the church he had attended in Syracuse. Among those present were the following officers of the association: Gr. pres., John J. Hynes, Buffalo; 1st vice, John F. Kinney, Rochester; 2nd vice, Edward Ryan, Syracuse; sec., Joseph Cameron, Hornellsville; treas., Stephen Mast, Buffalo; guard, John Lehman, Rochester; mem. board of trus., Martin Fisher, Jr., Buffalo, and T. Lynch, Batavia; sup. rep., A. E. Schweigert, Buffalo, John Fitzgerald, New York, and James L. Whalen, Rochester; gr. dep., M. J. Lawless, E. J. Ernst; dis. dep., Daniel Sheehan, Elmira; P. J. May, Buffalo, and A. R. Schell, Rochester; sup. med. examiner, Dr. D. McNamara; Bro. Corcoran, of the *Buffalo Express*; members of Branch 64 and other branches of Syracuse. Rev. Father Tierney celebrated high mass.

## APPEAL FROM BRANCH 93.

Branch 93, of Rochester, for the first time in its history, appeals to the charity of your Christian hearts. We approach you in behalf of three orphaned little ones, who, under circumstances of the most distressing kind, have lost their natural protectors.

On the 19th day of October, 1891, Patrick Kelly, of our city, was struck down by an engine in the East Buffalo yards of the New York Central railroad. He never regained consciousness and expired on Tuesday of the following week, at the Sisters' Hospital in Buffalo. On the night of the very day the accident overtook him, he was to be initiated into our branch—two weeks previously having been balloted for and duly elected. Thus, a mere formality, potent in law, weak when opposed to the promptings of Christian benevolence, stands between the orphans of Patrick Kelly and the beneficiary fund of our order.

But a few years ago, the wife of Mr. Kelly and the mother of the children went out from her home in the apparent possession of the best of health, to make a visit to friends. She fell dead by the wayside, on her return, a victim of that awful destroyer of our kind, heart disease. Thus, two lives expired without a word of parting or a whisper of comfort or of hope to the dear ones who survive them in this vale of tears.

Business reverses, during the past year, caused Mr. Kelly financial embarrassment, so that, beyond a few outstanding accounts, which will be difficult of collection, he has left his children practically penniless. The oldest of them, a girl, is but thirteen years of age; and it will be many years, before any of them are prepared to meet and struggle with the stern affairs of life. In this pitiful situation, they appeal to you from out their home, desolate and sorrowful, and ask that you aid in supplying, as far as human effort can supply, the awful loss they have sustained. We feel, we know you will make a generous response, and that, from your act, the world will learn that our glorious organization depends for its stability, not upon laws and constitutions, but upon the manly impulses of warm Christian hearts.

Respectfully and fraternally yours,  
Branch 93: Martin Tobin, pres.; J. J. Quirk, sec.; J. J. Quirk, David Harris, B. V. Logan, committee; approved, James F. O'Hare, spiritual director.

Remit directly to B. V. Logan, 62 Bronson avenue, Rochester. Acknowledgements will be made in the *CATHOLIC JOURNAL*.

The following branches have already responded, with the sums given:  
Branch 93, Rochester, N.Y. .... \$50  
" 59, Auburn, N.Y. .... 15  
" 8, Buffalo, N.Y. .... 25  
" 127, Utica, N.Y. .... 5  
" 26, Lancaster, N.Y. .... 5

Yours respectfully,  
B. V. LOGAN, Treas.

## AUBURN.

Albert E. Hall, a prominent young man of this city, died at his home in Wall street, Wednesday morning, after an illness of but a week. He was one of those few people who, by his genial and upright ways could win the esteem and admiration of all with whom he came in contact. He was a loving husband and a kind father and his presence will be sadly missed by his wife and two children. Deceased was a prominent member of St. Mary's Temperance Union, and his death was the first in the history of the organization. The funeral took place last Saturday from St. Mary's church and the remains were taken to Seneca Falls.

bers of the temperance society attended the funeral in a body.

At a meeting of St. Mary's Temperance Union, held Wednesday, Dec. 24, a committee was appointed to draw up resolutions, on the death of Bro. Albert E. Hall, the resolutions to be printed in the daily papers of the city and in the *CATHOLIC JOURNAL*, Rochester, and a copy to be forwarded to the family of the deceased.

St. Mary's Temperance Union is the happy possessor of a fine white marble gavel block, presented to the society by Donley Bros., the well-known marble dealers of this city. The block is a handsome one, 8½ inches square by four inches high. On the block is inscribed in gilt letters: "St. Mary's Temperance Union, Organized Oct. 22, 1886." The organization is very grateful for the handsome present, and extended a vote of thanks to the firm for their generous gift.

Probably a more surprised person than Rev. Father McGrath, of St. Mary's church, could not be found in Auburn on Wednesday night of last week. The greatest surprise of his life, as he himself expressed it, took place in the rooms of St. Mary's Temperance Union, of which organization he is spiritual director, when the society presented him a handsome silver tea set and a silver water set, consisting in all of 14 pieces and valued at \$85. During the progress of the meeting Wednesday night, the Rev. Father was called into the ante-room and on his return found the above-named articles arrayed on tables on the rostrum. John Colbert made the presentation speech, in the course of which he reviewed the good work done by Father McGrath in the interest of temperance since his advent into St. Mary's parish, and he dealt particularly on the unceasing labor he has performed in the interest of the union. The present was but a slight token of the love and esteem in which he was held by the society, and the speaker voiced the sentiment of each and every member when he hoped from the bottom of his heart that the Rev. Father would be left with them long enough to enjoy the luxuries he had been so instrumental in providing for the society, and that, at some future time, he might be able to enjoy the articles just presented. The surprise was complete; and it was a long time before Father McGrath could find words to express his feeling. He said he had heard of being too joyful for utterance but he had never experienced the sensation before. The sets are very beautiful, and on each piece is inscribed the monogram, "M." On the tray is engraved the following inscription: "Presented to Rev. John J. McGrath by St. Mary's Temperance Union of the Sacred Heart, Auburn, N.Y., December 25, '91."

## APOSTOLATE OF THE PRESS.

A Convention of the Catholic Laity to be Held in New York.

The convention of the Apostolate of the Press, which will be held in Columbus Hall, West Sixtieth street, near Columbus avenue (adjoining the Paulist church), New York City, Wednesday and Thursday, Jan. 6 and 7, will be composed of the laity, men and women, from all parts of the United States and Canada, who believe that the printing press offers to the Apostolic zeal golden opportunities for the conversion of our countrymen, as well as for elevating the moral and spiritual condition of Catholics themselves.

A few words in explanation of the objects of the convention are necessary. At the outset it should be understood that there is no purpose to form a society or to interfere with societies at present engaged in the Apostolate of the Press. Organization in the sense of forming a society, is not at all intended. On the contrary, societies already in existence are to be encouraged, assisted, their membership increased, their success brought conspicuously before the public and made matter of emulation for the whole Church of America. All Catholic societies which in any way use the press for the good of religion, may be represented in the convention, but it will be open to all good Catholics of the laity who take practical interest in this apostolate.

The object is to bring the best men and women of our laity together under the auspices of the clergy, to take counsel how to use the press for the good of religion, especially with a view to converting the non-Catholic American people. Rev. Walter Elliott, 120 West Sixtieth street, New York, will send the necessary credentials to any one desirous of becoming a delegate.

Among the well-known Catholics who will read papers at the convention are Col. Richard Malcolm Johnston, Prof. W. C. Robinson, of Yale University, George Parsons Lathrop, Mary Elizabeth Blake, Daniel Budd, Merwin M. Snell, Katherine Conway, Hon. Frank McGloin, J. A. J. McKenna.

## DIOCESAN NEWS.

### Dansville.

Miss Tillie Barrett, of Buffalo, spent Christmas with her parents. Phil Schumehl came up from his Rochester school for the holidays.

T. E. Gallagher and family are spending the holidays in their Dansville home.

The services in both churches were held at the usual hours. At St. Patrick's church at the midnight mass, some excellent music was rendered. The choir sang Leonard's Third Mass. Misses Jordan and Powers acted as soloists in their usually faultless manner. They were assisted by Dowling and Messrs. McLane. Father Day preached a very eloquent sermon at each mass.

### Seneca Falls.

Dan Moran is home from Cornell for the holiday vacation.

Owing to pressure of holiday business, our correspondence for the past two weeks was neglected until too late for publication.

Mrs. Mary McCarthy, of Springfield, is attending her sister, Mrs. John E. Mackin, who has been seriously ill with la grippe.

The lecture by Rev. L. A. Lambert for the benefit of the Catholic club, advertised to take place Dec. 29, has been indefinitely postponed.

The weekly debates of the members of the Catholic club are exciting considerable interest and are a great source of pleasure and profit to the members of the club.

The festival of Christmas was appropriately celebrated at St. Patrick's church by Rev. Father O'Connor, masses being celebrated at 7 and 10 a.m., with vespers and benediction of the blessed Sacrament at 4 p.m. The music by the choir was excellent and everything passed off pleasantly. Rev. Father O'Connor was well remembered by the Christmas offering of his congregation.

### Caledonia.

Mrs. Philip McGovern is seriously ill.

Patrick Graney spent Christmas with friends in Java.

Midnight mass was celebrated at St. Columba's, Christmas eve.

John Morrissey and John V. Murphy are home from school for the holidays. James Graney returned from Cincinnati, Saturday, where he has been some time.

Miss Minnie Guy, Mount Morris, visited her aunt, Mrs. Lawrence Campbell, last week.

The Hotel Keisler was opened to the public Wednesday evening with a grand ball and supper.

### Mt. Morris.

Mrs. Patrick O'Neill is visiting friends in Rochester.

Misses Katie Toole and Fannie Collins are visiting relatives in Buffalo.

D. V. Murphy, of Buffalo, spent Christmas with his parents in this village.

Dennis and John McCarthy spent part of last week with their parents in this village.

Dr. and Mrs. B.S. Moore and daughter, of Syracuse, spent Christmas in this village.

### Lyon.

M.C. Tomney, who has been ill for the past two weeks, is recovering.

A.M. Hart, of New York, spent Christmas at his home in this village.

The grip is slightly loosening its hold on its many victims in this vicinity; with the advent of cold weather we hope to be entirely free from it.

Thomas McNamara, for many years an employee of the L.V.R.R. in this place, has accepted a much more responsible and lucrative position under the same company in Buffalo.

### Geneva.

Mrs. Wm. Sisson, who died of pneumonia Sunday