

AROUND THE GLOBE.

Bishop Gallagher, of Galveston, Texas, is making his first official visit to Rome.

The corner stone of the Dahlgreen memorial chapel at Georgetown University was laid Thursday.

James Jeffrey-Roche, of the Boston Pilot, will read the poem at the dedication of the "Highwater Mark" monument at Gettysburg, June 2d.

Dr. Bitter who was recently appointed Bishop of Stockholm, Sweden, is the first Catholic Bishop in Scandinavia since the "Reformation."

Rev. L. C. Gaillet, one of the oldest priests of the St. Paul archdiocese has been made a domestic prelate by the Pope. Vicar General Farley, of New York, has been similarly honored.

At the recent dedication of Hartford's grand new Cathedral there were present five archbishops, thirteen Bishops and six Monsignors. Very Rev. H. DeRegge, of Rochester, was among the latter.

One of the first official acts of Rt. Rev. Charles E. McDonnell, Bishop of Brooklyn, was the dedication of the new church of St. Augustine in that city. The church has been in course of erection since 1888, and is said to be one of the finest in the City of Churches.

Says the Boston Republic: "It will not be surprising if Bishop Gabriels is invited to confer the annual ordinations at Troy the coming Trinity, in order that he may ordain in the chapel wherein he has presented so many seminarians to other prelates for ordination."

A singular fact in connection with the ceremony over the remains of U. S. Senator Barbor is that this is the first time in the history of the United States Senate, the Catholic services over the dead have been recited in the chamber. Bishop Keane of the Catholic University, assisted by three priests and three altar boys was in charge of the rites which were conducted with much solemnity.

Canon Hobson, of Exeter, England, has made an amusing and effective refutation of charges by Miss Cusack against the Catholic Church. He has taken the "Life of the Blessed Virgin," by Sister Mary Francis Clare, in 1880, and culled from it passages dealing with Miss Cusack's charges. On every point the refutation is complete, the nun denouncing in the warmest language the accusations now made by the ex-nun.

Bishop McCloskey, of the Louisville diocese has undertaken to officially investigate the mysterious stigmatic affection of Mrs. Mary Stuckenbergh, whose case was first discovered several months ago. The woman is now in St. Joseph's infirmary. She is closely watched by priests who act under the direction of the bishop. It is stated that he is receiving instructions from Rome regarding the case. His orders as to who shall and who shall not see her are strictly obeyed. How long this investigation by the Church will continue is not yet known.

The Ohio supreme court rendered an important decision, recently, upholding the state in its right to compel the education of its children and touching also upon the rights of Catholics to maintain public schools wholly without the jurisdiction of the state. Father Quigley, of the St. Francis de Sales church, of Toledo, and master of the parochial school adjoining, refused to give the state truant officers the names, ages and residences of his pupils. He was arrested and fined under the compulsory education law. He appealed. The supreme court confirmed the judgment of the court at Toledo.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

Special to THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

Lord Bramwell is dead. He was born June 12, 1808, and was called to the bar in 1838. From 1876 to 1881 he was a justice of appeal and a judge of the supreme court of judicature.

The recent proceedings against the tenants on Mr. Parnell's Wicklow property, have been taken, not by Mrs. Parnell, but by direction of the English Court of Chancery, by which Mr. Parnell's estate is being administered.

The master of the rolls has made an order restraining the Freeman's Journal from issuing debentures to purchase the National Press. The action was instigated by discontented shareholders in the Freeman's Journal, who have opposed the consolidation.

Dr. Vaughan, the new Archbishop of Westminster, was inducted in the Pro-Cathedral May 8, in the presence of a very large crowd. Hundreds of persons were unable to gain admittance. The Archbishop had declined to issue tickets of admission or otherwise to make a preference.

The interior was brilliant with blazing tapers and gorgeous with flowers. Hundreds of priests took part in the procession. The youthful Lord O'Hagan and his brother were train bearers. Fathers Fanning and O'Rourke were deacons. The Duke of Norfolk and members of other high families attended.

The dedication of Monaghan Cathedral, Diocese of Clogher, Ireland, contributed to, by American people will take place on Sunday, August 21st. The church is considered to be perhaps the most finished cathedral in Ireland. The Irish Archbishops and Bishops and a vast concourse of the clergy and people are expected to take part in the ceremony. Altogether, the event promises to mark an epoch in the ecclesiastical history of the "Old Land."

The first appearance of Tim Healy on a London platform since the Parnell-O'Shea affair was at a large meeting at Poplar, in the east end of London, on Wednesday; although the Parnellites had declared their intention of breaking up any meeting at which he appeared, he was warmly received and there was no disturbance. He said parliament would dissolve at the end of June.

T. P. O'Connor in referring to the attempts to force Gladstone into giving the details of his Home Rule bill says:

"The main lines of the new bill would be the main lines of the old bill—namely, that Ireland should have a Parliament of her own in the capital of Ireland, elected for the purpose of dealing with all purely Irish affairs, and that Ireland should have a Ministry and an Executive dependent upon that Parliament."

The North Hackney election has gone against the Gladstonians the Tory candidate receiving nearly a thousand more votes than his liberal opponent. This reminder of the danger of over confidence will cause the liberals to work all the harder at the general election. That event is now almost certain to take place at the beginning of July. Since the North Hackney election the Tories prophesy that Gladstone will not have a majority independent of the 88 Irish votes. That the grand old man will get a majority of some sort everybody believes, but that it will be a large one is a matter of doubt.

John Dillon in a recent speech, referred as follows to the split rumor: "There is one matter which has occupied the attention of the people of this country to a considerable extent during the past few weeks, and about which I feel bound to say a few words—that is the question of amalgamation of the Freeman's Journal with the National Press, by which one great newspaper has now been set up in Dublin on the national side. An uneasy feeling prevails throughout the country in reference to this business. Rumors have been spread of an impending split in our party. It has been stated publicly that I intended to resign my seat and retire from public life, in consequence of a difference with Mr. Healy. [Cries of "No, no" and "Never."] And, on the other hand, discussion on this whole matter has been strangely deprecated, because it is a matter of much delicacy. Well gentlemen, there is so far as I know anything of the affairs of our party, and I know a good deal of them, no prospect of a split existing, and there is not the slightest risk of any split occurring; nor have I the slightest idea of resigning or retreating from the fight."

OUR ROMAN LETTER.

Special to THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

The Pope has bestowed the golden rose on the Queen of Portugal.

There is no less than fourteen Cardinals' hats vacant at the present moment.

The great sale of furniture and objects of art belonging to the Borgheze family has terminated. It realized the total of 1,300,000 francs. The sale ended with the famous table service in vermilion, gift to Pauline Borgheze by her brother, Napoleon I.

The electric light will be in use for the future in the Vatican. The cascade in the gardens, the water supply of which comes from Lake Bracciano, forty miles distant, supplies the power—twelve horse power. The saving in expense will be 32,000 francs a year. Telephones have also been placed in the private apartments of His Holiness.

The unveiling of a bust of the celebrated archaeologist, Signor Giovanni Battista, de Rossi took place in the Catacombs of San Callisto recently and was a most interesting ceremony. Leo XIII. addressed a long letter to the venerable De Rossi expressing the great pleasure he has found in reading the works of the eminent archaeologist.

The Pope is preparing a reply to the petitions of Catholics in Germany, Austria, Italy, Belgium, and the United States praying that distinct hierarchical systems be granted to each nationality. The reply will be negative, pointing out that the Irish Catholics of the United States, who are very numerous, have made no demand for a separate hierarchy.

A letter published by the Rev. Father Luigi da Parma, General of the Franciscan order, addressed to all the members of the order, announces to them that the Holy Father has assumed the protectorate of their order. Father Luigi ordains that a solemn Te Deum will be sung in all the churches of the Franciscan order throughout the world.

The parish priest of a small Italian town notified his parishioners that the 19th of March, Feast of St. Joseph, should be kept as a holiday of obligation. The mayor of the town, however, demanded the keys of the door leading to the Campanile (bell tower) in order to ring in the children to school as usual. This the curate firmly refused to do. The mayor has accordingly had the priest summoned before the civil tribunal and accused of violating certain articles of the Penal Code. One of the Catholic papers of the Eternal City, in commenting on this bit of tyranny recalls the fact that in the Council of State held on 11th April, 1890, it was declared to be only right and proper that the parish priest should have absolute control over the church bells.

RELIC OF ST. ANN.

How It Was Brought to America—Its History.

This relic is brought to America through the efforts of Cardinal-Archbishop of Quebec and the Right Rev. Monsignor Marquis, Prothotary Apostolic, one of Quebec's most patriotic and distinguished prelates. It is to be kept at the Church of St. Anne de Beausure, on the St. Lawrence river.

Monsignor Marquis reached the city on Sunday, May 1, bearing the relic. For a short time he proposed being the guest of Father Tetrean, pastor of the Church of St. Jean Baptiste, at the pastoral residence, just around the corner from the church, 1081 Lexington avenue.

Father Tetrean pleaded with Monsignor Marquis to allow him to expose the sacred object in his little church during certain hours of the day as long as he remained here. He consented with the permission of Monsignor Farley, Vicar-General of the diocese.

The news that the relic was at the Church of St. Jean Baptiste spread all through that portion of the city in which it is situated. Thousands have seen it.

Monsignor Marquis is the picture of a French-Canadian patriarch. His snow white hair adds to the charmingly tranquil and benevolent expressions on his aged face.

The Church of Sainte Anne de Beausure is twenty miles below Quebec. There nearly three centuries ago it was established as a little fishermen's chapel, amid scenery wonderfully grand and impressive, and it has slowly risen from its lowly beginnings to a spacious and beautiful temple rising from the beach.

It has seemed that over the church which bore her name St. Ann has ever hovered with her benevolent influence. To Catholics, the place, as Monsignor O'Reilly of this city describes it, "is like a fountain of living waters, which purify souls, cure bodily ills, revive and nourish faith in the Incarnate God, and is the solemn protestation of a whole people against anti-Christian unbelief."

There is already at the shrine of St. Anne de Beausure a very small fragment of one of the fingers of St. Ann, but in view of the fact that so famous had become the shrine for the afflicted and the faithful that a larger memento was earnestly desired. More than 100,000 pilgrims resorted to the church last year. Thousands and thousands claim to have been instantly cured through the intercession of her who was, in the flesh, the grandparent of the Redeemer.

When Mgr. Marquis went to Rome he carried with him a memorial from the Cardinal Arch-Bishop of Quebec, and an elegant memoir in which he gave the history of the famous shrine of Sainte Anne de Beausure. The petition and memoir were accompanied with photographs of the exterior and interior of the church. These showed two pyramidal heaps of mementos, left by thousands who have been instantly cured. The Holy Father was deeply impressed by the sight of these. He was also informed that each year the number of pilgrims and miraculous cures increases.

Leo XIII. is the son of Countess Anna Pecci, and imbibed a tender devotion to St. Ann. His mother had him called Joachim, the name of the Virgin Mary's other parent. Thus Mgr. Marquis found easy access to the Hol. Father's heart. The Pope ordered his private chaplain and secretary to write a most urgent letter to Benedictine monks who are in charge of the arm of St. Ann, asking that the request of the Cardinal Arch-Bishop of Quebec be granted.

The body of St. Ann was taken from Port Salem to Constantinople in the year 710. The arm has been in Rome for many centuries. The Popes have for ages refused to have any part of the member mutilated. In the "Revelations" of the great St. Bridget, who died in 1373, there is a striking passage connected with the relic. St. Bridget made a pilgrimage to Rome and had the happiness of venerating the arm of St. Ann. That night St. Ann appeared to her and assured her that the arm was her own.

The body of the saint must have been carefully enshrouded, as was the Jewish custom. The arm, though nearly nineteen hundred years old, was in a good state of preservation when Monsignor Marquis beheld it. The Prior of St. Paul's accompanied the Canadian divine to the spot where the relic is kept. Monsignor Marquis cut off a piece. It is one-half of the wrist, and to it the flesh and skin still adhere.

The fragment is about three inches in length. Monsignor Marquis had made for it a little casket of bronze, lined with gold, around which runs a band of satin, studded with silver stars. Around the relic is a piece of paper with this lettering: "Ex Branchio S. Anne, M.B.M.V."—"From the arm of St. Anne, Mother of the Blessed Virgin."

The casket has a glass top through which the relic can be seen, and the seal of the Abbot of St. Paul's is still unbroken.

Monsignor Marquis's happy in the possession of his treasure, beamed smilingly on Father Tetrean as he talked to a reporter.

"There, before you," he said, "lies the bone of the forearm of her who clasped to her maternal bosom the Virgin Mary. Can we doubt that that arm also held the Infant Jesus? I am proud to have such a relic to show to my people. And I am glad to know that now on its way across the sea is another similar fragment of the arm of the Blessed St. Ann, which has been given to our little Church of St. Jean Baptiste."

Father Tetrean says that the fragment of the arm which is coming to him from over the sea is not as large as that which will in future years attract thousands to Sainte Anne de Beausure, but it is of unusual size. He is already preparing the basement of his little church as a shrine for the reception of the precious relic. Until this chapel is finished it will be exposed in the upper church.

This little sanctuary may become as famous as that of the Sainte Anne de Beausure. — N. Y. Messenger.

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—Branch 58, 81, 93, 121. Tuesday—Branch 10, 82, 139. Wednesday—Branch 131, 34, 117. Thursday—Branch 80. Friday—Branch 87.

The constitution of the Central organization is being printed and will be issued next week.

Archbishop O'Brien of Halifax was recently initiated at a meeting of Branch 132. C.M.B.A. of that city.

On e's the C.M.B.A. Weekly and the London Catholic Record are still wrangling. Peace, brothers, peace.

The Young Men's Catholic Club of St. Peter and Paul's church (which by the way is the new name of the Young Men's Catholic Association,) is to have a May party, Wednesday, May 25th.

Annual Inspection R. C. U. U.

The annual inspection of the Roman Catholic Uniformed Union will be held in Washington Rink the evening of the 23d. The programme includes a concert by the Minges Military band, a competitive drill between the nine unions forming the organization and a dance. The societies to compete are: St. Mauritian union, Capt. J. Hessler; Kt. of St. George, H. F. Wegman; Kt. of St. Eustace, J. J. Nunold; Kt. of St. Peter and Paul, J. Freund; St. Boniface union, A. Snell; Kt. of St. John, G. W. Trot; Kt. of St. Louis, G. Christ; Kt. of St. Michael, G. Krichgessner; Kt. of St. Theodore, F. Wahl. Henry N. Schlick, commander in chief, has promoted Aid-de-Camp F. X. Foery to be commissary, and Aid-de-Camp Rudolph Vay to be en gineer on the staff of the committee. Fred Kleinhans, of the Knights of St. Eustace, and Sigmund Voit, of the Knights of St. Theodore, are appointed aids-de-camp on the staff of the committee. The Buffalo staff will be in attendance, and Inspector Paulus will be umpire and award the prize in the competitive drill.

CATHOLIC VETERAN ASSOCIATION.

The following has been received from Albany, N. Y.:

For several years the soldiers of the late Civil War, of Catholic faith, living in Albany, N. Y., have been organized under the title of the Catholic Veteran Association.

The purpose of this organization is to meet annually, and arrange to have large masses said in the several parish churches, and a high mass at the Cathedral, on Memorial Day, for the repose of souls of the deceased Catholic soldiers.

The Albany association has some 250 members who pay annual dues of 50 cents, which enables them to perform the sacred obligation devolving upon them.

The Albany association is duly incorporated under the laws of the State of New York.

The members feel that this good work should be extended, and branches organized in other cities and towns.

Its officers will gladly assist and encourage organization by Catholic Veterans who feel disposed to devote a little time each year to a cause so worthy of emulation.

All Catholic Veterans, whether in the G. A. R., or not, are eligible to membership.

A communication addressed to Major James Macfarlane, Press Office, 18 Beaver street, Albany, N. Y., will receive prompt attention.

The association is said to have been approved by the Bishop of Albany.

AUBURN.

A very pleasant affair was the box social, given by St. Mary's Temperance Union in its new rooms on Thursday evening of last week. The sociable opened with a delightful musical programme arranged for the occasion by Mrs. A. Louise Fry and was highly appreciated by the large number present. After the last number of the programme had been concluded the boxes furnished by the ladies present were disposed of. Some very spirited bidding took place and very handsome amounts were realized on some of the boxes. The affair was a complete success and was thoroughly enjoyed by all present.

BISHOP McQUAID'S SERMON.

Extracts From His Address at Bishop Gabriels' Consecration.

"It is in Catholic families that vocations to the priesthood are found, and in Catholic schools that these vocations are nurtured. With good christian families ruled over by virtuous Catholic mothers in which children learn to love God and serve Him, vocations to the priesthood and religious life will be found in abundance.

And after all, when these Belgian priests left home and country and associations most dear to come to this new stirring land, they only did for the children of Irish emigrants what Irish bishops and monks did for the unconverted Flemish over twelve hundred years ago. St. Livin, an Irish bishop, moved by the Apostolic spirit which filled all Ireland toward the close of the sixth and the beginning of the seventh century, taking pity upon the poor people of Flanders came among them and sought to win them from their paganish ways to the truths of Christ's Gospel. In the prosecution of his zealous labors he was murdered by those whom he sought to save, a few miles from Ghent, and to this day his relics are venerated in that cathedral city. So we may say that the Flemish pay back to us Irish Americans what St. Livin, the Irish bishop, did for them.

Then again, our church in America has not been much afflicted with nationalism, unless perhaps some recent mutterings have the semblance of such disturbance. The bishops of the province of New York did not present to Rome the name of Dr. Gabriels for the see of Ogdensburg because he was a Belgian, but because he was an ecclesiastic of eminent ability, of profound learning and distinguished acquirements, who had given twenty eight of the best years of his life to a work not much sought after by others, and because his services were so valuable that they deemed them worthy of recognition. No matter where he was born, he had learned to know our country, to prize highly its institutions, so that he was finally entitled to be called an American in every sense of the word, save in that of birth.

The church in America has welcomed to her service ecclesiastics of most of the countries of Europe. She places them over parishes and at the head of dioceses. The problem now in process of solution is no easy one. Claims are put forward by some of the Europeans coming to the country that are not tenable. They bring with them European customs, ideas, methods, not adapted to the circumstances in which the church finds herself in America. They are mostly from countries in which the state meddles in church affairs. In which churches and ecclesiastical institutions have already been built and paid for. In some of these countries the people revel in the luxury and magnificence of costly church edifices built centuries ago. And where the state relieves the people of the burden of paying for divine worship, they have little to do in thinking and acting for themselves. We have also a babel of languages, and while we are willing that everyone should enjoy the use of his own we are not willing that the language of this country which the people are supposed to make their home, should be ignored. We defy the world to show another instance of work accomplished anywhere in Christendom equal to that which has been accomplished in this country in the last fifty years. That some of the people have fallen from the faith or been careless in the fulfillment of religious duties no one denies. The extenuating causes are many. Until of late churches and priests were few in number. In those early days the people came to our shores in vast numbers. Few priests came with them. Vocations to the priesthood were rare and when such vocations were found there were no seminaries for training and instructing.

CLIFTON SPRINGS.

St. Agnes' Society holds a grand fair and festival in the Village Hall this week and the first half of next. Monday evening an entertainment was given by the children of the St. Agnes Society. Tuesday evening the entertainment consisted of vocal and instrumental music, recitations and two light dramas entitled "The Princess" and "Search of the Fairies." Wednesday evening the realistic domestic drama, "Bound by an Oath" was given. Following is the cast of the drama.

Phillip Raymond, a blind miller, is the son of Daniel Ryan, a prominent miller, Daniel Ryan, Seth Randolph, vagabond, Leslie Madden, Edward LeRoy, in love with Mabel, Charles Murphy, Elias Amesen, "Bound by an Oath," John McAniff, Sambo, servant to Jacob, Walter Barry, Durcilla Johnson, sister to Jacob, Miss M. Ryan, Lucy Snuff, a lone widow, Miss J. Hannon, Mrs. Raymond, wife of Philip, Miss M. O'Brien, Mabel Raymond, daughter of Philip, Mrs. McAniff.

Piffard. St. Raphael's church held one of the most successful festivals held in this place in years, considering the number of Catholics in this little village. The entertainment was arranged by the members of the parish, and they should feel gratified at the success of their labors. All seemed anxious to co-operate with the pastor in his plans for the future of the parish. It is difficult to give credit to any particular member of the parish in making this entertainment a financial success as the list would include nearly all, but we must make one exception to this rule, i. e. the two ladies who were contestants for the diamond ring donated by the gentlemen of the parish. Seldom do we see contests like this crowned with similar results and many wondered where the ladies gathered all the money. The successful one was Miss Lizzie Fennel who succeeded in getting \$167.15 while Miss Anna Gilroy obtained \$85.50. But the Rev. Father Hickey has promised the last named lady a fine ring in consideration of her noble effort. Never in the history of this country was a social held when all present were so disposed to enjoy themselves and also make all around them happy.

We congratulate Father Hickey on the success of the festival. We understand the net receipts will be between four and five hundred dollars.

GENEVA.

The mission conducted by Rev. Field Smith, a Jesuit from New York, closed last Wednesday morning with Solemn High Mass. Nearly two thousand persons attended morning and evening services.

Timothy Ryan, aged 73, died at his home on Parke place, Monday morning of last week. The funeral occurred from St. Francis de Sales church last Thursday morning.

The marriage of Miss May Henney of Geneva, and J. G. Cogerton of Terry, deaf mutes, was solemnized at St. Francis de Sales church last Thursday morning.

W. F. Mehan, local editor of the Gazette, had a severe throat hemorrhage last week that confined him to the house for a few days.

Rev. J. J. Rogers was in town Wednesday, the guest of his brother, Thomas D. Rogers.

A Catholic Chautauque.

A number of Catholic clergy and representative laymen met last Wednesday at the Catholic Club House, New York, and provided for a Catholic Chautauque. The object of the assembly is to foster intellectual culture in harmony with Catholic ideas by means of lectures on special studies in the university extension lines in literature, science and art, conducted by competent instructors, while at the same time affording healthful recreation and profitable amusement.

From the discussion it is evident that a stock company will be organized, the stockholders to be wealthy Catholics throughout the U. S.

Carleton Island, in the St. Lawrence, was discussed as the place of retreat. It is proposed to change its name to Carrolton in honor of Chas. Carroll, of Carrolton, who signed the Declaration of Independence, and to call the assembly by the same name. Three weeks shall constitute the term of sojournment this coming summer, during which three courses of lectures will be delivered, embracing forty-five in all.

The delegation visited the Thousand Islands Tuesday for the purpose of looking over historical Carleton Island and its surroundings, relative to locating the school on the island. Bishop Gabriels, of Ogdensburg, attended the new school to his discovery. He said that he looked with favor on the undertaking, and that he would call the scheme into effect as soon as possible.