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Weekly Church Calendar.

SUN. Mar. 19—St. Joseph, Spouse of the B.
V. M.
MON. 20—St. Catharine, Bishop.
TUES. 21—St. Benedict, Abbot.
WED. 22—St. Basil, Priest and Martyr.
THURS. 23—St. Victor, Martyr.
FRI. 24—St. Simeon, Martyr.
SAT. 25—Annunciation of the B. V. M.

THE CATHOLIC POPULATION.

One fact brought to light by the statistics furnished at the request of our Rt. Rev. Bishop and published in the JOURNAL last week is significant because of the bearing it has upon the disputed question of the Catholic population of the United States. We refer to the fact that our diocese is shown to have a population of 85,000 instead of the 80,000 credited to it by the Catholic Directories. Here is a gain of 5,000 in the Rochester diocese alone. Is it not fair to assume that a similar accurate census of the other dioceses would show similar gains over the estimates given in the directories? Some few might show a decrease, but we think that the ratio of increase would be fully as great for the whole country as for the diocese of Rochester. A gain of 5,000 over the estimated 80,000, means a gain of 6.14 per cent. The Catholic population of the country is given as 8,886,095. The same 6.14 per cent. gain would give a total of nearly 10,000,000.

A P. A. FOOLISHNESS

The True American is a paper recently established in St. Louis, Mo. It is the organ of the A. P. A.—the latter organization being the ghost of the old Know-nothing party, which has been trying to intimidate Catholics in Western States. To illustrate the idiotic character of the sheet mentioned and to show what our co-religionists have to endure, we quote a few extracts from its columns:

We desire to propound a few questions for your careful and thoughtful consideration:

1. Are you possessed of a loyalty which makes you zealous for your country's promotion and interests, or would you prefer the establishment of a foreign system under the guise of religion, which has a temporal ruler at Rome and a host of spies and emissaries banded and confederated together for the purpose of secretly undermining your government, such as Jesuits, and several bodies of Catholic orders designated by their nationalities, the Mafia, the Hibernians, the Knights of St. Patrick, the Knights of St. John, the Knights of St. George, the Clan-Na-Gael, etc., besides the sisterhood and priests?

2. Are you desirous of releasing from living graves those unfortunate ones immured in cloisters and convents against their will?

Now, dear readers, would you like a little more "True Americanism" or would you prefer to perform your Lenten penance in some more agreeable manner?

"IRISH-AMERICANS"

On Sunday last the pastors of many of our city churches warned the younger members of their congregation against a dance announced to be held by the "Young Irish-Americans" on St. Patrick's night. One of these Y. I. A.'s

is reported as having asked: "What do we care about such men as Father Kiernan?" In answer it may be said that the young men who do not care for the opinion of such men as Father Kiernan are poor companions for the sons of Catholic Irishmen. There is probably nothing Irish about the young men referred to except the name. They remind one of Patrick Terence O'Reilly who belonged to a German-Democratic club during the late campaign, and gave vent to his enthusiasm the morning after the election by grasping his shillelah and shouting: "Faith, we Germans elected Cleveland!"

IS IT A GREIVIOUS BURDEN?

Is the maintenance of parochial schools too heavy a burden for our Catholic people to bear? The pastor of one of our city parishes publishes each month a list of those who give to the monthly school collection. One well-to-do member sometimes gives two dollars; a few give one dollar; others contribute fifty cents; but by far the greater number give twenty-five; some twenty, fifteen or ten cents.

A dollar a month or twelve dollars per year from each adult in the congregation would cover all the expenses of the school in that parish and leave thousands in the treasury. Our parochial schools can be maintained without impoverishing the people.

For some unexplained reason, the esteemed Post-Express seems to have lost that interest in statistics regarding the number of children attending parochial schools in the diocese of Rochester which it displayed a few weeks ago. Possibly, the complete statistics published in the JOURNAL last week may have escaped the notice of our usually observant contemporary.

FITS THE COMPROMISERS: That spirit which prompts some men to attempt to reconcile elements which have always been and always will be antagonistic is well illustrated by the remark of a rather too amiable old soul: "God is good—and the Devil's not bad."

We have a number of copies of last week's JOURNAL containing statistics of the diocese of Rochester in full. Those desiring copies for preservation should send in their orders now.

The Union and Advertiser of last Saturday copied the diocesan statistics from the JOURNAL, giving them in full, but did not mention the fact that they first appeared in this paper.

ONE of the fifty-seven parishes without a parochial school doubled in population last year. It had one family; now it has two.

The Right Rev. Bishop of Rochester will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of his episcopal consecration on July 12 of this year. His many friends intend that, God willing, it shall be a silver jubilee to be long remembered.—Catholic Review.

Of Local Interest

The Ephraim Magazine is printed by the deaf mutes, and is edited by a faithful member of this religious society, Miss Mary C. Hendrick, who is a member of a family of writers, among them her two devoted uncles, Rev. Thomas A. Hendrick, rector of St. Bridget's Church, Rochester, N. Y., who is at present preparing a history of the diocese of Rochester, and the Rev. Joseph W. Hendrick, rector of St. Michael's Church, Livonia, N. Y. Her aunts, who have recently gone to their eternal reward, are Rev. Mother Aloysius Hendrick, of the Sisters of St. Joseph, Buffalo, N. Y., and Madame Charlotte F. Hendrick, of the Eden Hall Academy of the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Forestdale, Philadelphia, Pa., and Miss Teresa Hendrick, who is engaged in the same good work in New York city.—Cleveland Universe.

Literary Note.

Katherine Conway, whose "Watch words from John Boyle O'Reilly" was a phenomenal success last year, has issued through Curran of Boston, a book for the coming Easter Season, entitled, "A Dream of Life." Miss Conway has the happy faculty of hitting the taste of the public. She is fast becoming a universal favorite, and like Miss Proctor, is as much liked by the better class of Protestant readers as she is revered by the entire Catholic world.

While in festive joys entwined,
We are gently called by Mother Church,
To contemplate the joys enshrined
Within her embrace, where we are in search
Of all that to happiness and goodness tend,
And help which Heaven to souls will lend.

If the summons is gently heeded,
That is rung by luteen bells aloud,
Bidding depart all that is unneeded;
And in quiet retire, soul so proud,
For awhile and noble lessons learn,
Which the precious hours of Lent discern.

Ah! how long and weary was the time,
That our Redeemer in solitude passed,
To teach us the way to heaven to climb,
Through the hours of life to the last,
Then shall the deeds and prayers of earth
Arise.

As monuments far above the starry skies,
And crown those who faithful have been
To the law of love and charity that was given
To lead the way through paths of sin,
Until the guilty soul of man be shriven,
Then shall we enter the portal wide,
Where, with our Creator forever abide.

Let us hearken then to the voice sublime,
That has verified its mission from above,
And given us examples of saints of all time,
Who have triumphed o'er life's battles by
Love.

Many of whom are victors of a noble fight,
And now has dawned for them Eternal Light.
Sweet are the hours of Lent, O mother of
holiness,

If we heed admonitions would strive to keep,
Which should guide us to children of lowliness
As they o'er the stepping stones of life leap,
Which are given by Thee, to comfort the
forelorn,

If we with our Creator would rise on Easter
Morn.

—G. M. D.

CATHOLIC PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

Declaration of the Third Plenary Council of Baltimore.

Knowing, as we do, by the testimony of offends and foes, by a d experience, and the very nature of the case, that the number of the Catholic youth who have fallen away from the Church chiefly through the influence of the public schools is so great that it furnishes ample grounds for rejoicing to our enemies, and the most urgent cause of grief and sorrow to ourselves, we not only exhort with paternal affection, but command with all the authority we possess, all Catholic parents to provide for their children a Christian and Catholic education in parochial or other suitable Catholic schools.

Decreases.

1. A Catholic school must be established in every parish within two years, unless, for grave cause, it is postponed by permission of the bishop.

2. The pastor who by negligence delays beyond that time the building and support of a parochial school may be for that cause alone deprived of his parish.

3. The parish, likewise, that, by sluggish indifference or culpable negligence, prevents the pastor from providing parochial schools, will be severely censured by the bishop and urged by every method that may be as the same time prudent and effective to furnish the means to provide such schools as soon as possible.

4. All Catholic parents will be bound to send their children to these parochial schools, unless they are manifestly providing for the Christian education of their children, either at home or in some other Catholic school or academy.

The exceptional cases when it may be necessary to expose Catholic youth to the dangers of non-Catholic schools must be referred to the bishop, who will decide as to the sufficiency of the excuse and the efficiency of the means used to counteract the danger. (Third Plen. Council, page 101)

A few observations on these propositions to impress the matter on our minds and vindicate the wisdom of the Church will not be out of place here. The bishops evidently watch, as, having to give an account of the souls committed to their care, they are deeply solicitous for the spiritual welfare of the children in their charge. There tone is of grave admonition to parents and pastors to protect in every way in their power the faith and morals of Catholic children attending the public schools. They know full well that the education given to youth is the prime factor that will help to determine their future happiness or misery. Wherever immortal souls are imperiled, the pastors of the Church cannot be deterred from going to the rescue.

There are strong grounds for anxiety and solicitude, wherever children are submitted to the influence of a system which, faulty in theory, is manipulated in practice by men who, for the most part, are either indifferent to religious truths or positively hostile to the Catholic Church.

Newark.

The water on Mud Creek Flats was very high this week, but no damage was done, as there are no buildings near by.

The Newark Gazette, was delivered by carriers Wednesday.

Misses Maggie Corey and Della Hogan have returned from Niagara Falls, where they have been the guests of Mrs. T. Pierce.

The Papal receipt establishing an apostolic delegation in this country has been published. It shows that the power granted to Mgr. Salelli is very great.

Catholic Societies.

Official Organ C. M. B. A.
All communications to the Secretariat should be addressed to Mrs. T. H. Donohue.

SOCIETIES MEET NEXT WEEK.

MONDAY—Br. 134.
TUESDAY—Br. 12, 139
WEDNESDAY—Br. 34, 117
THURSDAY—80.

Dr. James H. Finnesey has been appointed medical examiner for Branches 87 and 139, C. M. B. A. Dr. Cormier for Branch 82, 134, Dr. Casey for 88 and 13, Dr. N. F. Kiefer for 34 and 131, Dr. E. B. Gumberts for 58 and 81, Dr. A. McNamara for 80 and 93, Dr. J. R. Calkin for 117 and 121.

We give below a short summary of Grand Secretary Cameron's report for the year.

Cash on hand last annual report.....\$ 737.40
Received during the year.....300,171.86

\$300,909.26

Paid Supreme Recorder
nineteen assessments.....\$274,752.83

Transferred to the re-
serve fund.....16,771.82

Transferred to Grand
treasurer, gen'l fund, 9,384.61—\$300,909.25

No money in my hands at this date.

MEMBERSHIP.

Number of members Dec. 31, 1881.....13,515

Number of members initiated
during the year.....1,587

Received by card from other
Grand Councils.....48—1,635

Number of members expelled
during the year.....355

Number of members resigned
during the year.....32

Number of members died during
the year.....174

Transferred to other Grand Councils during the year.....14—575

Total membership Dec. 13, 1892.....14,575

Of which there is in good
standing.....14,470

Under Suspension.....105—14,575

Net increase of the Council for the
year, 11 branches and 1,060 mem-
bers

During the year three members died while under suspension. One in Branch 7, one in Branch 109, and one in Branch 68. The latter was killed by the cars a few days after suspension.

INITIATIONS.

The ten branches which initiated the greatest number of members during 1892, with the number initiated by each, are as follows:

| BRANCH | LOCATION. | NUMBER INITIATIONS |
|--------|-------------------|--------------------|
| 28 | Seneca Falls..... | 10 |
| 49 | Syracuse..... | 70 |
| 142 | Canandaigua..... | 48 |
| 36 | Syracuse..... | 44 |
| 164 | Binghamton..... | 41 |
| 50 | Syracuse..... | 40 |
| 168 | Fayetteville..... | 33 |
| 160 | Newburg..... | 32 |
| 59 | Auburn..... | 28 |
| 24 | Buffalo..... | 27 |

It will be seen that the ten branches above mentioned initiated 433 members; being considerably more than one-fourth of all the initiations of the year. The remaining 161 branches will make a note of this.

There are fifty-eight branches that initiated less than five members each; fourteen of them that initiated but one member each, and seventeen that had no initiations at all. These 75 branches have not done much to keep down the assessments, and they certainly will not blame the association for employing organizers.

RESOLUTIONS BY BRANCH 91.

Whereas the members of this Branch have heard with sorrow of the bereavement of our treasurer, Richard Dillon in the loss of an affectionate brother by the angel of death, therefore be it

Resolved,
That we extend to Brother Dillon our most heartfelt sympathy in his loss of a kind and loving brother.

Resolved,
That a copy of these resolutions be spread on our minutes and that a copy be sent to the family of our worthy brother.

Edward Hanlon,
Owen B. Daley,
Thomas Cullane,
Committee.

Lyons

The roads are every badly drifted in this vicinity.

Congratulations are extended to Mr. and Mrs. Whalen on the advent of a son. Also to Mr. and Mrs. C. McPartland, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Halpin, to Mr. and Mrs. A. Teller and to Mr. and Mrs. J. Aspell. All daughters.

Auburn

Edward H. Doyle, wife and children of New York City, who were called here by the illness and death of Mrs. Doyle's brother Willie A. Hickey, returned home Saturday last.

A large number of Waterloo people attended the funeral of the late W. A. Hickey, only brother of J. J. Hickey of Waterloo.

C. M. B. A. Badges.

Ribbon badges of all styles and prices can be obtained of the CATHOLIC JOURNAL CO.

Programme of Concert at Cathedral Hall Mar 17, 1893.

- PART I.
- THE HARP THAT ONCE TROUDED TARA'S HALLS. Air "Gramachree" BOYS' CORNET BAND, ST. MARY'S ASYLUM. First Public Appearance. ROBERT E. HOGAN, Director.
 - "OLD FOLKS' MINUET," CHILDREN OF THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT OF NAZARETH ACADEMY.
 - VIOLIN SOLO—Celebrated Fifth Air. MISS KATE WEAVER.
 - SOPRANO SOLO—"Exile of Erin." Air "Savourneen Deelish" MISS KATHERINE F. HOGAN.
 - DUETT—"Trust Her Not." MESSRS. M. J. O'BRIEN and FRANCIS J. RYAN.
 - SOPRANO SOLO—"The Gate of Heaven." with Viola Obligato. Piano and Organ Accompaniment. MISS JULIA M. O'CONNOR.
 - PRAYER AND FINALE OF THE 1ST ACT FROM LOHENGRIN. (Representing the scene of prayer before the battle between Lohengrin and Frederick and the song of triumph to rejoice over Lohengrin's victory.) MISS CORINNE CLARY, AGNES NORMAN, and MESSRS. M. J. O'BRIEN, E. M. DARCY, FRANCIS J. RYAN and FULL CHOIR. Violin, Cello, Piano and Organ Accompaniment.

- PART II.
- RECITATION, MR. P. J. DWYER.
 - DUETT—"Calm as the Night," MISSES O'CONNOR.
 - CHORUS—{a. Where'er I Go, b. "Thou Gentle Girl," SELECT CHOIR.
 - CELLO SOLO—Reverie, MR. HERMANN POHL.
 - CHORUS—"Tipperary," POLYHYMNISTS.
 - CHARACTER SONGS, MESSRS. SHEARER and DREW. Mrs. ERWIN E. CURTIS, Accompaniste. MISS MINNIE F. O'LAUGHLIN and MR. GEORGE B. PIDGEON accompany for the evening. EUGENE BONN, Director.

Geneva.
The youngest child of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sullivan, died of diphtheria, Thursday and was buried Friday afternoon.
Mr. Chas. D. Seward spent Sunday in Rochester.

Mrs. Nobles and son Chas., of Chicago, are guests of her mother, Mrs. John McCarthy, Exchange St.

Mr. and Mrs. James Welch returned from their European trip last week. Their many friends were pleased to welcome them home.

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The reduction sales continue.
One lot 66-inch Bleached Damask, 49c; worth 75c.
One lot 66-inch Unbleached Damask, 49c; worth 75c.
A few of the dollar Counterpanes left at 85c.
Our \$2.00 Marseilles Counterpanes are equal to anything to be found outside our store at \$2.75.

COTTONS

A 9-4 Unbleached Sheeting, 12 1-2c; worth 18c.
A good 4-4 Unbleached Cotton, 5c; worth 6 1-2c.

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