

Catholic Societies.

Official Organ C. M. B. A.
All communications to this department should be addressed to Bro. T. H. Donovan.

Central Council of the C. M. B. A. held an interesting meeting on Thursday evening of last week. Nearly all the Branches reported an increase of membership since the previous meeting. The report of the committee having the C. M. B. A. observance of the Rt. Rev. Bishop's jubilee in charge was received. The occasion will be an enjoyable one for the members of our organization in this city. The Central Council will meet again Thursday evening, June 1, when arrangements for the jubilee observance will be completed.

CATHOLIC BENEVOLENT LEAGION

Believing that many readers of the JOURNAL will be pleased to have further information concerning the vigorous young Society, I send you some notes for publication.

The C. B. L. seeks recruits to its ranks from all classes in every Catholic congregation, offering insurance in any of six grades, namely: \$500, \$1,000, \$2,000, \$3,000, \$4,000 and \$5,000, and charging proportionate assessments for each according to age of applicant upon admission or increase.

Its members are placed upon a common level in their respective Councils by being charged alike for quarterly dues.

The C. B. L. was incorporated under the laws of New York in September, 1881, and then began business in Brooklyn, where its principal place of business is located.

The time for payment of its 189th assessment will expire May 29.

From the date of its organization to April 21, 1893, it had collected from members for its Benefit Fund \$3,818,409.42 and received interest on balances, \$3,184.15 making total Benefit Fund, \$3,821,593.57

from which it had paid \$3,821,355.88 to the beneficiaries of 1,720 members who died, having an average of about \$2,222.

The Legion is designed to extend over the whole United States and desires a Subordinate Council in every congregation wherever, during the first year, twenty-five members may probably be secured. At least seven are necessary to form a Branch or Council.

Membership is restricted to Roman Catholic men in good physical and mental condition between 18 and 55 years of age at admission. Fully one-half of the Legion's Subordinate Councils and membership is in New York State, where the management of ordinary affairs is under control of the State Council, which meets annually and is composed of representatives from Subordinate Councils. The next State Convention will be held at Saratoga, July 12, and promises to be a brilliant assemblage.

State Councils have also been formed in New Jersey, Maryland, Indiana, Illinois, and Connecticut, the remainder of the earth being left under direct supervision of the Supreme council, which body is subjected to considerable censure for not exerting greater efforts to extend the benefits of the Legion over the whole country. The question of appointing paid organizers is being considered; also that of advertising the merits of the organization in all Catholic newspapers.

In the matter of cost, the Legion is not the cheapest of Catholic Insurance Societies, but it makes no pretension that a man can carry an insurance for one or two more thousands of dollars on his life and contribute a fair share of the necessary expense of extension and management without considerable outlay. The quarterly dues are fixed by most Councils at a dollar.

There are about 26 assessments per year required, and this number is liable to run up to thirty; it may in case of epidemic run up to forty or possibly fifty in a year, but that would be extraordinary. The average since its formation has been less than eighteen per year; but it may be safe to calculate on thirty and lay by the surplus for the emergency. If so many should not be needed that reserve fund remains where it belongs.

Assessments are graded a little higher for each year attained before admission: 34 cents per \$1,000 at 25 years; 74 at 45 years; 88 at 50 years; \$1.12 at 54 years. The probable expense may be easily computed.

The other items of expense upon admission are the proposition fee, \$3.00; for medical examination, \$2.50, and for Benefit Certificate, or Policy, \$1.00; total, \$6.50.

These are ordinary expenses which may be foreseen and provided for, but inasmuch as the object of the C. B. L. is to create sociability amongst Catholic families and provide for the intellectual and social improvement of whole communities,

every member may be expected to contribute his share to the expense of such entertainments as his local Council may feel called upon to provide. These matters being largely optional, some Councils have hitherto done very little towards attainment of the objects mentioned.

In Rochester there are two flourishing Councils of the C. B. L., Rochester Council No. 207, of which Comrade Wm. C. Mallon, 131 State street, is Secretary, FLOU O'CONNOR, No. 305, of which Comrade Louis Heindl, 92 W. Andrews St., is Secretary. There are also Councils at Clyde, Lyons, Weedsport, Ithaca and Auburn, in the Diocese of Rochester.

There are many Catholic men within the range and influence of the JOURNAL who have not secured for their families such insurance as they should provide.

The C. B. L. desires not to weaken the ranks of other Catholic Societies, but to offer membership to such worthy men as may wish its protection.

Any inquiries addressed any member of above named Councils or to Victor Dowling, Secretary N. Y. State Council, No. 280 Broadway, New York, will receive prompt attention.

READING CIRCLES.

The Catholic "Literary" Monday evening held its closing session before the summer vacation. Miss Margaret McNulty played a pretty piano solo, Mrs. McGreevy sang two vocal solos and Daniel D. O'Callaghan read a well written paper on "The Hundred Years' War." It was decided to hold a reception on the evening of June 4th and a picnic in July, the arrangement for both events to be in charge of the executive committee. President Somers appointed the following delegates to the central board of Catholic Reading circles for 1893-94: Dr. L. J. Somers, Thomas A. Smyth, Dr. James H. Finneesy, Willard A. Marakle, Miss Elizabeth Daly and Miss Eugenia Cunningham. The "Literary" then adjourned until the first Monday evening in October, at 139 East avenue.

DIOCESAN NEWS.

From Our Special Correspondents.

Lima.

A beautiful new iron gate has been placed at the entrance of St. Rose's cemetery. The inscription, "Requiescant in pace," is gilded, which makes a very pleasing contrast. Several handsome monuments have been erected this spring, adding much to the appearance of the grounds.

Branch 138, C. M. B. A., will hold their fifth annual social in the rink on Tuesday, May 30, 1893. Supper will be served in Mrs. Ross's dining rooms. Music will be furnished by Wiggins' orchestra.

Augustus O'Leary spent Sunday at his home in East Bloomfield.

Miss Mary Smith is home from Rochester.

Mary and Jennie Slattery, of Rochester, have been visiting friends and relatives in town for the past two weeks.

Anastasia Leary, of Erie, Pa., is visiting her parents in this place.

The many friends of Mrs. J. J. Egan will be pleased to hear of her recovery from her recent illness.

May devotions are held every Wednesday and Saturday evening at 7:30.

Messrs. John Slattery, Ernest Boehme and Geo. Smith visited friends in Rochester on Sunday and Monday.

Mr. Rodger Curran, who died in West Bloomfield on Friday, May 19, was interred in St. Rose's cemetery on Monday.

Ithaca.

W. H. Atkinson has been calling upon subscribers receiving and collecting subscriptions for the CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

The many friends of Dr. J. S. Kirkendall are glad to learn that he is convalescent. Victor Crittenden is attending the office, receiving unpaid bills.

Miss Lena Sheldon is suffering with neuralgia of the heart. Her many friends are sorry to learn of her illness and hope to see her about soon.

Frank L. Brannick, of Auburn, made a trip to Ithaca on his wheel, Monday. The distance, by road being 58 miles, was made by him in four hours.

At 5 o'clock, Tuesday afternoon, the wedding of Wm. C. Deane and Maud Egan took place. The wedding party walked down the aisle to the music of the wedding march rendered by Miss M. Fahy, organist. The bride was attired in cream nun's veiling richly decorated with Duchesse lace and gold braid, carrying a bouquet of white lilies. Miss Frances Egan, sister of the bride, attired the same, was bridesmaid, and James Shanley best man. The happy pair

left on the 7 o'clock train mid shores of rice for New York and Boston, to be gone for two weeks.

Shortsville.

Mrs. F. Bidwell is very ill. Invitations are out announcing the marriage of May Sisler and Allen Brewster.

The switchmen of the L. V. R. R. will give their first annual ball on Wednesday evening the 24th.

The death of Prof. H. L. Clark, which occurred Sunday night, was quite sudden and unexpected. He was principal of Shortsville Union School.

Caledonia.

Mrs. Dillen returned to her home at Ridgeway, Pa., after a two weeks' visit with her father, Mr. James McEvree.

Miss Margaret Tierney visited Rochester friends last week.

Miss Katie Graney gave a birthday party on Friday evening to several of her young friends, and all had a very enjoyable time.

Newark.

The property owners on West Millh street are laying cement walks in front of their residences.

Miss Anna Mackin, of Lyons, was the guest of the Misses Connor over Sunday.

Miss Rose Miller has a new bicycle.

Dr. McDonald will build a cottage at Sodus this summer.

Mrs. T. Driscoll, of East Palmyra, visited relatives and friends in Newark last week.

Mrs. Crowe, who has been dangerously ill for the past two or three weeks, is slowly improving.

St. Michael's church is preparing to have a festival about the 14th of June. Every effort is being made by the young ladies to have the festival a success. They always have very enjoyable times.

Danville.

Misses Toole and Saurbier, of Elmira, have been visiting Miss Katie Blum for the past week.

Mrs. Thomas Rowan died at her home on Franklin street on Wednesday last at the advanced age of 70 years. Mrs. Rowan had been ill a long time, but still to her many friends her death seemed sudden. Her husband with five daughters and two sons are left to mourn their loss. The funeral occurred on Saturday morning from St. Patrick's church, Rev. Father Rafter officiating. Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Croty, of Erie, Pa., Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Costello, of Buffalo, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McNeil, of Genesee, and James Rowan, of Erie, sons and daughters of the deceased, came to attend the funeral.

The families of Martin and Joseph McNeil, together with Misses B. A. Burke and Kate Riley, attended the funeral of Mrs. Ann McNeil, who was buried in Canaseraga on Saturday last.

Little Clara Kramer, the nine-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Kramer, was run over by the engine on the crossing of the D. & M. road on Friday, injuring her arm so badly that amputation was necessary, but the poor child died on Saturday after many hours of suffering. Clara attended St. Mary's school, and in order to get home was obliged to cross the track. One of the sisters made it a practice always to see that the children got over safely. After she had returned to the school Clara thought she would wait for her sister who studies in a higher grade. She slipped on the track, and before she could rise the engine had accomplished its deadly work. The afflicted parents have the sympathy of the entire community in the untimely death of their bright little daughter. The funeral occurred from St. Mary's church on Monday morning.

Canandaigua.

Matthew Carroll is dangerously ill.

Wm. Rotchford and sister, Miss Katherine, both of Rochester, spent Sunday with their parents in this town.

Miss Katherine Ford, a member of St. Mary's choir, is out of town visiting.

Miss Nellie Lynch, of Rochester, is visiting relatives here.

Miss Sarah Schlick, of Rochester, spent Sunday with her parents on Bristol street.

Miss Nellie Kaveny, of Rochester, spent Sunday here.

Clyde.

Mrs. John Hurly is dangerously ill.

May devotions are being held at the church Wednesday and Saturday evenings and are well attended.

Mrs. Mary Rodman died May 11th after a long and painful illness. She leaves a daughter, Mrs. Wm. Kerrigan, and a son to mourn her loss. Funeral services were held at St. John's Catholic church on Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Father Gleason officiating.

Amusements.

The J. C. Stewart Comedy company, in the laughable farce-comedy, "The Two Johns," will be the attraction at the Academy next week. The play is a great favorite and has been recently redressed from start to finish. Performance each evening. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday matinee.

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Features For a Church Fair.
Some variations of church fair schemes were seen in a recent entertainment of the sort. In lieu of the time honored grab bag an old village pump, moss grown and dark with age apparently, flowed favors instead of water through its ancient spout. One of the stalls represented a huge web, with a giant spider enthroned therein. Caught in its meshes were all sorts of tempting fancy work and notions, while from above floated a banner enticingly inviting the passing flies to "Come into my parlor."—Norristown Herald.



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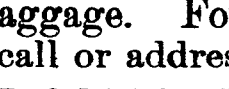
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