

LOCAL AND PERSONAL.

The many friends of Very Rev. Mgr. E. DeRegge, Chancellor of the diocese, will be pleased to learn that he arrived safely home from his European visit last Saturday.

Bishop McQuaid attended the funeral of the late Father Gray at Boston last week.

A grand holiday entertainment will be given by the children of Corpus Christi school at French hall Dec. 27 and 28.

The Forty Hours Devotion opened Sunday morning at St. Patrick's Cathedral and closed Wednesday at 2 a. m. with High Mass.

The Catholic Literary will meet next Monday evening at 139 East Avenue. Rev. W. H. Harrington will deliver an address.

The marriage of Miss Julia M. Hyland, of this city, and Mr. A. F. La Rose, of Albany, was solemnized at St. Patrick's Cathedral Monday. Rev. James P. Kieran performed the ceremony.

Marietta, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Howe, died at the family residence, 40 N. Goodman street, this week.

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- Musicals. Following is the programme of the musical given under the auspices of the Catholic reading circles at Cathedral hall last Monday evening: PART I. 1. Piano Solo, Miss Corcoran. 2. Vocal Solo, Mr. Abercrombie. 3. Trio—"D. Minor," op. 44, Hoffmann. 4. Vocal Solo, Miss F. A. Moran. 5. Quartette—"I Long for Thee," Messrs. Predmore, Darcy, Rhodes, Kane. 6. Vocal Solo, Mrs. Rampe. 7. Vocal Solo, T. F. Kearney. Remarks, Dr. Finnessey. PART II. 1. Piano Solo, Miss Hockstra. 2. Vocal Solo, Mr. Abercrombie. 3. Vocal Solo, Miss F. A. Moran. 4. Trio's, "Funeral March," Chopin. 5. Vocal Solo, Mrs. McGreevy. 6. Quartette—"The Tear," Messrs. Predmore, Darcy, Rhodes, Kane.

COCK OPERA HOUSE.

One of the most fascinating of the several American war dramas now on the stage is "Captain Herne, U. S. A." which will be played at the Cook all of next week. The usual incidents of war that accompany military productions on the stage, are splendidly brought out by the realistic scenery and expensive mechanical effects. The cast of the characters has been most carefully and appropriately selected. J. J. Dowling and Lizzie Morgan taking the parts of Capt. Herne and Madame Herne, the hero and his mother, both are excellent. Mr. Dowling's personality is fitted in every way for taking the part of a handsome, noble looking Southerner, who sacrifices everything, including home ties, for the cause of the Union. Miss Morgan's talents are admirably brought out in the part of the mother who, through her sympathy for the Southern cause, is brought to disown her son, who has joined the Union army, and to make a favorite of the other son, who is the villain of the play.

ACADEMY. "The Devil's Mine" will be produced at the Academy all of next week. The play is a border melodrama of more than average merit and bristles with stirring situations and exciting incidents. The scenery is very handsome and the mechanical effects, especially the transparent tank, arouse the gallery gods to a high pitch of enthusiasm. Mr. Darcy as the hero, Jack Hawley, gives a forcible and finished piece of acting. He is well supported by a carefully selected company, including Trisy Hamilton, as Tenny Williams, a character in which her talents get full away.

SAID PASHA AT THE MUSEE. Richard Stahl's popular and tuneful opera, "Said Pasha," will be produced in a fitting manner at the Musee during the week commencing Monday, December 11th. Aside from the fact that this opera abounds in catchy songs, marches and solos, as well as affords superb opportunities for good chorus work, it owes a great deal of its fun and laughter to the careful and meritorious work of the comedians, Dan Young and Tom White, who have played its leading comedy roles over five hundred times and appeared in every large city of the country of appreciative audiences. The press notices of New York, Philadelphia and Chicago said the solos and choruses were very strong, and the dramatic presentation was fully up to the work of the best known artists. Another noteworthy event will be the first appearance with the Robinson Company of Leona Clarke, contralto, who will replace for the present, Miss Jessie Thomas, who was called home to New York last week on account of a bereavement in her family. The music of "Said Pasha" is inspired and catchy, notably the march, which ends not first. The cast by the Robinson Company is as follows: Said Pasha, Mr. Mack, Charles Hansen, Mr. Edward Noville, Terzo, Mr. Charles N. Holmes, Harold, Mr. Dan Young, Mr. Tom White, The Two Leading Comedians, Dan Young and Tom White. LEONA CLARKE, Contralto, and a grand company of Talented Artists. Admission 10 Cents.

DOMESTIC READING.

Discontent is infinity of WILL. Concentration is the secret of strength. By others' faults wise men correct their own. Trust thyself; every heart vibrates to that string. Your goodness must have some edge to it, else it is none. A clear conscience is the testimony to a good life and its reward. However little we may have to do, that little should be done well. A true man belongs to no other time or place, but is the centre of things. All that is good on earth is merely a reflection of the good that is above. Faith, like love, is the appropriate exchange of one soul and spirit with another. That laughter costs too much, that is purchased by the sacrifice of decency. Quittian. How idle it is to call certain things godsends, as if there were anything else in the world. One holy action is a better argument against blasphemers than a thousand eloquent discourses. The practice of economy is no disgrace; it is better living on a little than outliving a great deal. There are few things more beautiful than the calm and resolute progress of an earnest spirit. The hardest thing in the world is not to feel that the lie told about your neighbor is the truth. Men show their character in nothing more clearly than by what they think laughable—fools. Never with impunity carry the light of conscience to a shadowed, nor its scruples overbalanced. Do not be ashamed to confess your ignorance whenever you see an opportunity of acquiring knowledge. Our lives are merely in some points or relations but in all points and relations must be near to God. Pride and vanity are the purveyors of trouble and danger; proud persons are neither safe nor happy. How a man believes concerning God and the higher world—how his soul is—will show itself in his whole life. God is eminently a God of order. Every manifestation of the Supreme will must assume to our minds the form of order. Deity that nature can be interfered with, and you leave nothing higher than nature. You make it supreme and self-contained. Man was made to be active and to be never so happy as when he is employed; it is the idle man that is the most miserable. Friendship is the reciprocation of affection, and he who has none to bestow has no right to expectancy in return.—Emfield. God shapes all our fitness and gives each man his meaning, even as He guides the wavering lines of snow descending.—Blackmore, in "Lorna Doona." With Ruskin, the moral aim of education is vital, central and all-embracing—it is the leading of human souls to what is best, and making what is best out of them. Most men call fretting a minor fault—a fob, and not a vice. There is hardly any vice, except drunkenness, which can more utterly destroy the peace, the happiness of a home. The Christ of the Gospel stands alone. As a moral portrait He fits without prototype or parallel—coming out from the dimness of the past a sudden and perfect creation. One who is thoroughly in earnest is not afraid to laugh; he knows that he may safely have his laugh out, and that it will not disturb the solid relations of things.—Doyle. Punctuality is something we have all to learn and of every profession; of all work—it is one of the first lessons a lesson not only indispensable to ourselves, but due to others. The first sign of a truly powerful nature is noticeable in the demeanor. Performance comes later, and does not surprise us for it has already been pledged by the behavior. Selfishness produces selfishness; indulgence increases with every hour of indulgence, and what is left unloved because it is difficult to-day, will be doubly difficult to-morrow.—Elias. Remember that nothing will supply the want of prudence and that no fence and irregularity of conduct will make knowledge useless, wide-reaching, and gentle contemptible.—Dr. Johnson. It is in the relaxation of security that is in the expansion of prosperity it is in the hour of dilation of the heart and of its softening into festivity and pleasure that the real character of men is discerned.—Rucks. A woman's heart and the ocean deep's much about the same thing; you can't reckon on 'em, and you'd A'ighty as made 'em alone know the depths of 'em. It's this way in weather brings the best of it out. J. K. Ewing. I trust everything under God to habit upon which, in all ages, the lawgiver, as well as the schoolmaster, has mainly placed his reliance; habit, which makes every thing easy, and casts all difficulties upon the deviation from a wonted course. Ruskin remarks that youth is a period of building up in habits, hopes, and faith. Not an hour but is trembling with destiny—not a moment once passed of which the appointed work can ever be done again, or the neglected blow struck on the coil iron. Discipline, like the bride in the furd of a good rider, should exercise its influence without appearing to do so—should be ever active, both as a support and as a restraint, yet seem to lie easily in hand. It must always be ready to check or pull up, at occasion may require; and only when the horse is unruly should the notion of the

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QUIPS AND CRANKS. Clara—How has your new dress-maker been treating you? Maude—Oh, splendidly. But she has been sipping father. "Does she sing?" asked the young man. "Oh, yes," replied the girl to whom he was talking. "Why, all her neighbors stay awake nights listening to her."

"Be them all your children, Mrs. M'Sorley?" "Phwat them all mine? They'd be behavin' 'emselves better if they weren't children. I'm paid to take care of 'em."

"Papa, do men descend from monkeys?" "Yes, my boy." "And what about the monkeys?" "Puzzled Pater—The monkeys descend—from the trees."

"Jump aboard, miss," said the conductor briskly. "I'll see to your bag." "But mamma wants to kiss me good-by," replied the girl. "I'll attend to that, too. All aboard."

Mrs. Flathunter—But the rooms are so dreadfully small! Really they are only closets. Landlord—Ah, but then you know there's nothing like having plenty of closets in a house.

The Magician—Is there anyone in the audience who will loan me a hat for a few minutes? A Voice—Ask this lady sitting in front of me; she seems to have a good deal more than she is entitled to.

"If you go, first," murmured the wife of the boss of the sick man, "you will wait for me on the other shore, will you not, love?" "I suppose I'll have to," he grumbled. "I never wait anywhere yet without having to wait for you at least half an hour."

The enraptured young man drew the shapely head with its golden hair close to his heart. "Do you hear it throbbing, darling?" he asked. "Yes, Harold." "What does it seem to say?" he whispered. The dear girl listened a moment and answered softly, "It says tick, tick, tick, tick, tick, Harold."

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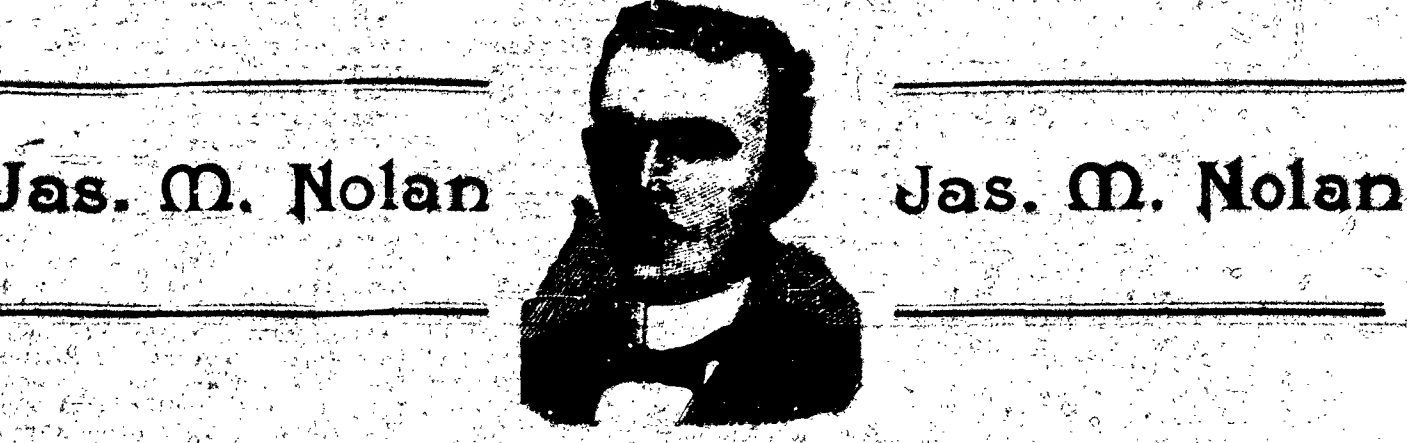
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