

## OUR CITY PARISHES

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#### ST. MICHAEL'S

On Sunday last the twentieth anniversary of the dedication of St. Michael's Church was celebrated in an appropriate manner. At 10 o'clock solemn High Mass was celebrated by Rev. Dr. Joseph Albert Ferris, a missionary priest from Copenhagen, Denmark, who is at present visiting at St. Michael's, assisted by Fathers Pascual and Regenbogen. The sermon was preached by Rev. P. William Wayrick, O. S. S. R., Rector of St. Joseph's Church. The sermon was a most eloquent one, and was listened to with rapt attention from beginning to end.

Father Wayrick dwelt upon the significance of the Church in which Christians assembled for prayer and the worship of the Most High. There, the eloquent preacher said, we received a foretaste of the ineffable pleasure which the blessed souls in Heaven enjoy in the vision of God. He congratulated the congregation upon what they had done in the twenty years just closed, and gave expression to the hope that all present might live to participate in the celebration of the twentieth, the silver anniversary, and that many would live to take part in celebrating the fiftieth golden anniversary of the dedication of the church.

At the close of the service the Te Deum was intoned and joined in by all present in a most heartfelt manner. The church sanctuary and altar was decorated elaborately with flowers, potted plants and palms. The choir did its best to add to the solemnity of the occasion.

Branch 104 L. C. B. A. will receive Holy Communion next Sunday at 8 o'clock.

An entertainment will be given for the benefit of the church in Easter week.

#### SS. PETER AND PAUL'S

A very imposing turnout was made by the Y. M. C. C. of this parish last Sunday, at the funeral of Ohas Amberg, one of the charter members of the Y. M. C. C., a good fellow well beloved by his associates. The members, to the number of 70, headed by a platoon of police, members of the Y. M. C. C., under command of officer McDonald, and the 54th Regiment band, turned out to do honor to their beloved Brother; a credit it was to the parish of SS. Peter and Paul's, and the pastor, to see such a body of young men as turned out last Sunday. After returning from the funeral a vote of thanks was tendered the officers for their kindness in escorting the members; also to Mr. Bernard McStein for his untiring effort in securing the band.

The members of the Y. M. C. C. extend an invitation to their many friends to call at the rooms and see the beautiful clock which is on exhibition. It is the handwork of Bro. Ohas Amberg. The clock will be raffled on the evening of April 9th, when the club will have open house. Arrangements are being made for an entertainment and social on the evening of April 9th.

There is talk of organizing a bicycle club among the members of the Y. M. C. C.

The Y. M. C. C. has a membership of 110 at present, and it is urged that a young man join.

On June 11th the Y. M. C. C. will celebrate their third anniversary, and by that time they hope to have a membership of 150.

The Peerless Bowling Club, of the Y. M. C. C., were defeated by the Standards on Reisky's alleys last Friday evening. The clubs now stand tie on the series.

#### ST. MARY'S

A pleasant and successful entertainment was given on Thursday evening of last week, for the benefit of St. Mary's Aid Society at the house of the Misses Conlon, 87 Monroe avenue. Nearly 200 persons were in attendance, and over \$33.00 was realized. The guests were delighted with the programme, which was as follows: Piano duet, the Misses Kearney; recitation, Miss Carrie Southworth; mandolin, guitar, violin, and zither, Harry Heller and companions; recitation by little Gertrude Minoman, (aged four years); recitation, Miss Eugenie Cunningham; vocal solo, Mr. Bradley; violin solo, Mr. Ashe; zither solo, Miss Webster.

At the late Mass Sunday, Father Stewart preached an eloquent sermon on the words of our Savior: This is My body; this is My blood. He also spoke of the necessity of Catholic families having a Bible in the house, and advised them to read it frequently.

No subscription will be taken up in St. Mary's parish this year. Instead, a week's fair will be held in the school building some time during August.

A meeting of the congregation will be held very soon, to make arrangements for some kind of entertainment in April next, for the benefit of the sisters.

An entertainment will be given at the home of Mrs. McNulty, 82 Alexander street next Thursday evening, for the benefit of the Aid Society, and on Wednesday, March 28th, an entertainment will be given at the home of the Misses Griffen, Hamilton Place, for the same purpose.

#### ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

There was a meeting of the Rosary Society Sunday at 4 o'clock. The subject of instruction for 1894 is to be the answering of questions pertaining to religion, which the members of the society may wish to ask. At the meeting Sunday a number of interesting questions were explained by Father Kieran, and judging from the nature of them, many are contemplating marriage after Easter.

Mrs. Richard Whalen, of 73 Frank street, died Tuesday. She has for years been an active member of the Cathedral parish. Mrs. Whalen had been ill a long time, but her death came suddenly at the end of two years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Whalen celebrated their silver wedding. She was Mrs. Whalen's second wife and three children survive her, John Whalen, of Norwich, and Louis and Elizabeth Whalen, of this city. These stepchildren survive: Madam Whalen, of the order of Sacred Heart; James L. Whalen, Richard and William Whalen of this city. The funeral will take place at 9:35 a. m. Saturday from the family residence and at 10 a. m. from St. Patrick's Cathedral.

There was a meeting of St. Vincent de Paul Society Sunday afternoon. During the winter months this conference has been taking an active part in working for the poor.

#### ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

The St. Francis Xavier choir are preparing the following music for Easter. Easter. E. C. Angel. The Sanctus. Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. P. King. The Benedictus. New York City; Hon. Clark Bell, Medical Journal, New York City; Dr. Howard Van Rensselaer, Medical Journal, Albany, N. Y.; Dr. W. Blair Stewart, Medical Journal, Philadelphia; Mr. M. Griffin. Danbury, Conn.; Dr. Stewart, of Bryn Mawr, Penn.; and others, as the late lamented Daniel Doherty, of silver-tongued oratory fame, would say. Among these the Rev. R. G. S. McNellie, of Bridgeport, Conn., was the greatest attraction. His very face was a map of all the social virtues that tend to make happiness here and hereafter.

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## A DELIGHTFUL TRIP

Finding one's self with a few dear friends started on a trip in the midst of a hurricane is not pleasant, especially if they be unused to ocean travel, as they were. When we arrived in New York the wind was whirling the snow and sleet around the corners at forty miles an hour. Ocean steamers were advised to stay in port. My own courage almost failed at the prospect of even a temporary loss of friendship through the untold suffering of seasickness in store for my companions. But the next day brought calm, and we went to visit the steamer Kodack, of the Old Dominion Line, foot of Beach street, New York. Our reception by Mr. Window, Assistant Traffic Manager, was so kind and cordial that we resolved to risk the dangers of the deep, and dare old Neptune on the "briny."

The appointments of this staunch steamer and the attention of her officers charmed us. Still I had misgivings about my friends as we slowly moved out into the North River. Our family physician's nose was just a little blue-sardine-like, and he complained of cold. That is a sure sign, said I; but then I will cheer him up. There are the wonderful sights in city and bay, Liberty looming up and pointing out our way; down past island and fort, which gave me chance to exercise my unsurpassed powers as a guide to "innocents abroad." But my display of knowledge in nautical matters got a rude shock when I looked up to the wheel-house and saw the gentle face of the Captain with his eagle eye and decidedly eagle nose, wreathed in smiles at my lecture on the "port and starboard," "aft and forward," "points of the beam," etc.

The steward of the ship relieved my confusion by inviting us to try a new remedy for seasickness. We tried, and the others went sick at once and kept muttering in the intervals between "attention to business." "Well, what in thunder kind of a mill-pond does he mean?" This was in reply to my assurance that the sea was as calm as a mill-pond. Claim brot restored their equanimity and daylight found them in happiness and the enjoyment of the trip.

The Jersey and Delaware coast only a few miles distant, passed in succession, and the "Light-ship," marking the entrance between Capes Charles and Henry came in sight. Dark drifting clouds in our wake warned us that another blizzard was following. It overtook us and brought along a terrible wind, rain and sleet; but we were within the arms of Chesapeake Bay, where the merchant, marine, and navies of the world might anchor in safety. In spite of the discomforts of a little sea-sickness, it was a delightful trip.

Our traveling companions deserve more than a passing thought. We had a number of editors of medical journals on board, Dr. Wile, *New England Medical Monthly*; Dr. E. C. Angel, *The Sanitarium*, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Dr. P. King, *The Pathologist*, New York City; Hon. Clark Bell, *Medical Journal*, New York City; Dr. Howard Van Rensselaer, *Medical Journal*, Albany, N. Y.; Dr. W. Blair Stewart, *Medical Journal*, Philadelphia; Mr. M. Griffin, *Danbury*, Conn.; Dr. Stewart, of Bryn Mawr, Penn.; and others, as the late lamented Daniel Doherty, of silver-tongued oratory fame, would say. Among these the Rev. R. G. S. McNellie, of Bridgeport, Conn., was the greatest attraction. His very face was a map of all the social virtues that tend to make happiness here and hereafter.

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