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THE FIRST ASSESSMENT.

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There has been some talk as to what the first assessment on a death claim of the C. M. B. A amounted to, The writer well remembers the payment of the first essessment. It went to Dennis Sullivan, a member of Branch No. 1 of Niagara Palls, and amounted to a few dollars over \$150. The data, etc., have been lost by the writer, but the claim was paid as it was the first to be collected without the blanks, documents and other things now in use, which make the collections of death claims very easily gathered. In short, the first payment was made of the half dozen Branches with pen and paper:

Mr. Sullivan was an industrious man. On the fatal night of his death he was on his way from Suspension Bridge to Niagara Falls (then two distinct villages but now one city. having been incorporated about two years) In some way or other, though being himself an employee of the Central railroad, he got on the wrong track and was knocked down by a switch engine on its way to the bridge from the yards at the falls.

It may not be amiss to mention that although the assessment was a small one, it came in as a great benefit to the widow and little once. From that assessment the association increased with considerable rapidity and it was soon able to meet the required \$2,000 with, of course, a little delay, but nearly at the proer time. Gro. A. Wilber, Rochester, N. Y., April 29. per time.

The members of the Y. M. C. C. have organized a singing society u be known as the Arion Singing Society of the Y. M. C. C., for the advancement of vocal and instrumental music.

The members of St. Joseph's C. Y M. A. spent a very enjoyable even ing Wednesday evening of last week at the Y. M. O. C. rooms upon their invitation 🤗 🧸

SQUISS FROM THE C. M. B. A. DIRECTORY.

Man should not live for himself. but do all in his power to promote the welfare of those who are near and dear to him.

The father of a family should make a sincere effort to leave his wife and children provided for after his death. nothing else to rely upon but his daily earnings

Young man! If you should die after becoming a member of some fraternal organization, you would be making a partial recompense to your parents who worked for you and raised you to manhood!

BRANCH 82.

Two initiations at last meeting and two elections.

Bro. Chas. O. Ochs has been elected financial secretary in place of Bro. Chas. Carges, who resigned.

Preparations are being made for the celebration of the 9th anniversary to be held June 21st.

C. R. and B. A. At the last regular meeting of Council 28 Wednesday evening, twelve applications for membership were received. The members seem to have been awakened from lethergy that has been attributed to the C.R and B. A. of this city by kindred organizations. Let the good work go on and may each and every council attain at least 100 members by

Council 28 will hold a meeting at their new room 12 Durand Building, Thursday evening, May 17th, All members are requested to attend.

Council 18 meets next Tuesday May 15th, The Cannal Board will hold their next regular meeting Tuesday evening May 15th. at room 22 Durand building.

Polyhymniane' Concert.

The last concert of the season of 93-94 of the "Polyhymnians" will be given at Cathedral Hall Thursday evening May 17th The society has spared no pains to make this concert au excellent one. The Rochester String Quartette Dr. Mandeville and Mr. E. J. Burke have been engaged to

Was Waiting for Bob. Lennon.

In front of Dake's drug store one evening last week a crowd of men assembled to admire the handsome horse driven by Brother Chas. Mead. Charlie wasn't driving just then though. He was waiting for a man, he said. Some of the bystanders thought the horse was balky, but they were mistakes.

THE BUSINESS WORLD

The sugar production of Louisiana has increased eighty-six per cent dur-

ing the last five years.

Statistics of the losses caused by the great coal strike in England put the total at \$150,000,000. This is almost as great a drain upon resources as would have been canned by a war lasting the same term. More than half the loss was in wages of men.

The extent to which the electric light is used in New York city may be indged by the fact that, according to estimates made by the Electrical Beview, more incandescent lights are supplied by one illuminating company promptly as it could be considering in New York than are used in the whole city of London.

A paper published entirely in the modern Grack language has just been issued in New York city, and is said to be the first publication of the kind in this country. It is called Atlantia, and gives special attention to archeological news and the findings of the excavations now in progress in Greece.

A hundred thousand acres of land in Mississippi were sold a few days ago to a French syndicate, which proposes to secure the settlement thereen of a large number of desirable Enropean immigrante. Negotiations are also in progress for the purchase of a tract of \$4,000 acres of land in Tennessee, the prospective purchasers being the intended immigrants themselves.

There is a little revolution among a number of jewelers in Maiden Lane, New York, who are in arms against Elbridge T. Gerry for having painted a bright orange colors building owned by Mrs. Gerry in that street. The jewelers declare that when the rays of the sun are reflected from the Gerry building, and are cast upon diamonds of the first water on exhibition in their windows they bland with the pure white of the diamonds and impart to them a pale, sickly yellow has, so much so that a brilliant worth \$1,000 looks as if it were not worth \$200, while a cheaper diamond looks like paste.

Some Australian gold veins are 130

Italy has a debt of over two and one-half billion dollars. The race of baronets was ereated by

James I. in 1611, and is found only in Great Britain. Miss Lizzie Bailey of Dexter, Me.,

has been teaching school continuously for forty-four years. Nearly a million of dollars is said to have been expended in statuary in the public parks and squares of New York

The cylinder head of a Connectiont locomotive blew out while at full speed. The train's momentum carried it to the station, five miles away, with-

out a pound of steam. John Carey of Salem, Mass., says he was mover mustered out of the army, This he cannot expect to do with which he entered in 1861, and has entered a claim for thirty-three years' rations and all back pay.

Captain Andrew Jackson Berry, veteran of the Texas war of independence, hunted buffalo in 1836 on the apot where the city of Houston now stands. Subsequently he was present when the first tent of the new settlement was stretched.

Smocharine, the new sweetening substance extracted from coal far, is now used for preserving fruit. It is claimed that the fermentation that often resules from the use of sugar is thus avoided, and that the new process preserves the flavor, color and form of the fruit better than the old.

There was a revival of religion in Tale university in the days of Presi dept Timothy Dwight, and a number of men converted then gave themselves to the ministry. As a result it has been found that 50,000 persons were converted under the labors of these Yale men in one generation.

THE BROAD FIBLDS OF LABOR.

The fiber of the wild sunflower is now used in Kansas as a material for manufacturing paper.

At Wheeling over \$115,000 has been subscribed for the new glass works, workmen themselves taking \$43,000.

Iron works at Troy, N. Y., have made for a Havana sugar mill an iron valve weighing 6,500 pounds. The firm claim it to be the largest valve ever

According to the Commercial Bulletin a simple and inexpensive device has been invented where by the broken section of a trolley or other live electric wire is made harmless the instant the break occurs.

California's prison commissioners have decided to go into the stock-raising business and use the convicts of the penitentiary as herders. Hogs will be the particular kind of stock to which attention will be given.

A fleet of arctic whalling vessels has recently put into San Francisco after one of the most successful seasons on record. As evidence of the change in whaling methods these vessels made no attempt to fry out oil, but east eway the whales after opiting off

DIOCESAN NEWS From Our Special Correspondents

Weedsport The ladies of the Alter Society held the latter part of the month.

Rev. D. M. O'Donobne will open zuma Mar 13

place last Saturday on the Pair friend to all. Grounds, the Watson's were victor-

There is strong talk of building an opera house where the Hotel Stickle used to stand. An entertainment by home telent

ook place at the Opera House May tion on the Niagara Palle Gausse. 9th, under the management of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Miss Ella Finnegan, of Syracuse, ing on old friends. spent a few days in town. Newark.

on Wednesday evening, the 28d of of Nunda Cornet Band. this month. The young ladies and gentlemen are working diligently, and every prospect is that the fortival will be the best ever held here.

lave been visiting friends here. Miss Mamie Denning has as posi-

tion in the Gazette office. On Friday last Mrs. James Burns slipped and fell on a piece of board in her door ward and broke her left arm near the wrist. It must be a very painful accident, Drs. Laudon and Nutten reduced the fracture. We are pleased to learn that she in

doing as well as can be expected. The Forty Hours Devotion will open in St. Michael's church on Saniny morning, the 18th.

Much credit is due to the girls who sang the May bymns last Sunday in St. Michael's church, under the direction of their teacher. Miss Mary Walsh.

riends in Lyons.

The new residence which is being erected on West Miller street is a great improvement to the atreet.

A meeting of the citizens was beid last Wednesday evening to make arrangements for Memorial Day.

The teachers arrived home from and report a very pleasant week as to Rochester Sunday night. well as receiving much benefit from the Institute.

Farmer.

The altar was elegantly trimmed on Sunday last and reflects much credit on the ladies who did the trim-

Mies Maggie A. King has returned home after a week's visit in Trumanaburg.

Owen Lockren died on Saturday, May 5th, at the home of his parents, aged 25 years. Mr. Lockren was a sity of Music in that city. young man of exemplary habits and Mrs. Frowley of Owego is the leaves a large virole of friends to guest of her sister, Mrs. Berne, in moore his loss. Interment in the this village. Holy Cross Cemetery at Ovid, a

commence at St. James church on with eastern relatives. Sunday next Rev. Richard C. O'Connell, of Buffalo, is expected to preach the midenment featival of on Monday night, May 14, 1894. As Michael's Church. Every effort Rev. Father O'Connell always lived being made to make the festival a in Trumsnaburg, he will be welcomed success. by his numerous friends in the home of his birth.

Clifton Springe,

Miss Jennie Hannan has refurned bome from Syracuse where she has been attending school.

Mrs. John Dwyer, of Canandalgua, was the guest of her sister. Lisa Mary Bennett, on Sunday.

to act as clerk for T. V. Fox.

ing two weeks sight-seeing in New York and Brooklyn.

Miss Josie Donavan has secured a fine position in a large dressmaking to Avon and Daneville, and then establishment in New York.

W. N. Smith died very suddenly tives in Elmira. at his home on East Main street on Tuesday evening.

take the place of Father Rauber, her soul rest in peace. Father Stratten will be missed very much as he was a great favorite among his congregation. He has and Sunday evenings at St. Mary's character. also the best wishes of his many

Mrs. J. O'Neill of Rochester. formeriy of this place, is suffering from a sprained ankle.

George Bell, the well known our tractor and builder, is building an are preparing for a May party to be expensive house on the Ridge Road for Mr. Lachy.

Frank Pierce, who is now propriethe Forty Hours Devotion at Monte, for of the Manchester Hotel at West Greece, is doing a fine trade. At the ball game, which took Pierce is deserving of it as he is

> Branch 155. C. M. B. A. met the 8th of May.

"Faust" will be at the Academy of Munic on Saturday evening.

Charles Provo has accepted a posi-Miss Katherine Daly, of Castile has been in fown the past week call-

A comedy entitled "The Boston Dip" will be given at the Academy The Catholic featival will be held of Music, May 17th, for the beseft

Danaville. The Catholics of Groveland have been working hard to raise money for their new church. The walls Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brace, of Avon, are laid, and the work goes on steadily. Next Sunday the corner sione will be put in. Of course sinety people can't build a church without the mid of their friends, so it is to be hoped that all will be generous correspondent, write us and make enough to contribute their mite by the accessary arrangements. purchasing tickets for the suppor to want all the interesting Catholic he served there the 19th. The ladies news, up to the time of going to will spare no pains to make it as press

> The children of St. Patrick's school celebrated Arbor Day by marching to the new cometery and planting some frees.

pleasant as possible for all, who at-

Rev. Father Dougherty is to de liver the memorial address in Patrick's church Sunday May 27.

Mine Mildred Toles of Watkins is visiting at home. Miss O'Mears, of the Daneville Union school, has been obliged to

Thompson will fill her place. Charelyllle Forty Hours Devotion bernin here

resign on account of ill health. 'Miss

Wednesday morning. Miss Maggie Ward visited Church Marion from the Institute on Priday, ville friends Saturday, she returned

> Miss Maggie Cunningham and Miss Florence Higgins were visiting friends here over Sunday.

Miss Downs of Newark spent Sunwith her sister, Mrs. Bulger.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank MacDonald and daughter Lilian were in Rochester over Sunday.

for New York to attend the Univer-

Miss Mamie Murphy left Thursday

Mrs. D. Moran and daughter The Forty Hours Devotion will Bridgetts left Saturday for a visit

Preparations are being made for

Miss Nellie O'Brien, of Genereo visited friends here last week,

Dennis McCarthy was a greet his mother last week.

E. Schubmehl, of Rochester, paid

short visit to this vicinity last week. Mrs. Daniel McCarthy, who has I. F. Madden has been re-engaged been visiting friends and relatives in Kimirs, returned home this west. der. W. H. McGinnis and daugh- i Mr. and Mrs. Tolan, of Portage, ter returned on Saturday after spend- are visiting her mother, Mrs. Burtos. James Tools, of Buildio, is a green

of Mrs. N. Delaney for a week Miss Minnie Wall will take a trip spend a couple of weeks with rule

Last Monday occurred the death of Mrs. Robert Lavey. The deceased was 86 years old. - She was leved Rev. Father Stratten has been by all who knew her. The funeral transferred from St. John's church, took place from St. Patrick's church Greece, to Danaville where he will Wednesday meraing at \$150. May

> May Devotions are held on Wednes Wm. Archibald and wife, of Retrof visited

The house of Mrs. Conway, at North Greece, was destroyed by fire a few days ago.

Mrs. P. Marrion and Mrs. A. Blanchard visited friends in Rochester

The Altar Society of St. Mary's church was reorganized on Sunday last, Following are the officers elected for the ensuing year: Pracident, Mins Lucy Haley; necretary, Mins Marguerite Dwyer; treasurer, Mins Mary Hickey; executive committee, Mines Johanne -Cahill, Margaret Houston, Celin Conlin, Anna Kelly and Nellie Connor.

Mrs. J. J. Costello, accompanied by he daughter and grand daughter, has returned from New York,

A building, to be occupied by James Hef-fers as a railroad resistant, is being

A new statue for St. Joseph's church has unived from Italy

The Mansheld House is being resovate preparatory for opening for the summer. Our esteemed townsman, John Mansfield e contemplation in the too Europe in the near future.

Dennis Kennedy, of Aubers in spending his vacation with his parents. Miss Nellie Breen, of Auburn, is guest of her cousin, Miss Lizzie Falvey.

Camandalgus. John Murphy and William Powers are visiting New York city. Mr. Maloney, of Buffalo, visited relative is tows this week.

Miss Minnie Council in Visiting John McNiely, of Albany, spent Sunday

We donire a vorrespondent in a parishes in the grocess. If you do not see any news from your pariet and would like to act as a special

This applies to sity parishes as ns to those outside.

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Child of Mary, owest the house That you spend where Mary obove Blackers on Wars and Blessiags on your way. Hearts and homes are blessed Light of joy illumes each face When to her we pray.

-NELLID MCKERRA. Rochester, May, '04.

Amusements.

COOK OPERA MOURA. Two Orphane," will be pen star cast of Metropolitan:

commencing may 14th.

There will be no attraction at the

my of Music the coming work. THE WONDERLAND MUSES THE PERSON. Underbredly one of the most performances of the spaces. will be an act for the coming week. Whi was managed as I have been a second as the large second as

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is at year of the States, will be note in a specifying sea, of which he claims to be I On Friday afterneous of this week, every lady and little girl will receive a instrument of more value than the substitution pelos.

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