

## CATHOLIC NEWS NOTES

**Happenings Throughout the World of Special Interest to Catholics.**

### Progress of the Church at Home and Abroad.

Since Leo XIII. was elected Pope the College of Cardinals has been almost twice refilled.

The death is announced of Rev. Andrew Ziegler, a well known priest, connected with St. James' Church, Baltimore, Md.

Senator White of California, who acted as permanent chairman of the Democratic National Convention in Chicago, is a Catholic.

Cardinal Vaughan has put the stamp of his approval upon boxing as an exercise. Of course he does not favor prize fighting.

The sixty-second anniversary of Cardinal Gibbons' birth occurred on July 23. His Eminence spent the day very quietly at Cape May.

The new Church of St. Katherine at Wayne, a suburb of Philadelphia, is to be dedicated Aug. 30. Rev. Matthew A. Hand is the pastor.

A new rule in the diocese of Newark prohibits after dark picnics. It was also determined that no money should be collected at church doors for seats.

Sister Mary Amabilia, of the Sisters of Mercy, Philadelphia, died of consumption at the convent, Broad street and Columbia avenue, on July 17, at the age of 25 years.

Rev. Hugh Kelly, who had been in St. Joseph's Hospital in Yonkers for more than a year suffering with head troubles, died of pneumonia July 17. He was about 40 years old.

Lord Llandaff, who has been appointed to succeed the Marquis of Dufferin as Ambassador of Great Britain at Paris is the first Roman Catholic to hold this office since the days of the Reformation.

The cause of the beatification of Confrater Gabriel, profound student of the Congregation of the Passion will be formally admitted by the Congregation of Rites, when he will be declared Venerable.

Plans for a banquet to Cardinal Satolli are being formed by the clergy and laity of Brooklyn. It is proposed to hold the celebration just before His Eminence sails for Rome to receive his insignia as Cardinal.

The fourth Austrian Catholic Congress will be held at Salzburg in September. The now famous Dr. Lueger, of Vienna, will appear there with Baron Von Pauli, head of the Catholic Volkspartei in Parliament.

The latest press despatches from Rome state that Cardinal Satolli will retain the functions as Papal Delegate in the United States until the next Papal consistory, when he will come to Rome and receive the Cardinal's hat.

The fourth International Scientific Congress of Catholics is to be held at Fribourg in August, 1897. The ten sections into which the Congress is to be divided comprise the whole circle of scientific knowledge, with Christian art added thereto.

The Sisters of Mercy of Brooklyn have, through the beneficence of Edward Webb, been able to open a sanitarium in the Adirondack mountains. The institution is well and pleasantly situated and will most probably meet with deserving success.

A recent traveler in Southern Africa tells of a community of Benedictine nuns who have undertaken not only to build their own house, but even to manufacture the material. These devoted women have already made 100,000 bricks with their own hands.

Very Rev. Father Felix Guerin, Vicar-General of the Catholic mission in Southern Burma, has passed away. Father Guerin went to Burma forty years ago and served at various stations. The funeral was largely attended. The Anglican Bishop of Rangoon was amongst those present.

Rev. John T. McElroy, who was recently ordained to the priesthood by His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons at Woodstock, Md., celebrated his

first solemn Mass at St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, Md., on the feast of St. Paul. A large number of priests and seminarians participated.

Dr. McGlynn, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Newbury, N. Y., barely escaped death a few days ago while trying to board a morning train. He caught hold of the hand rail of one of the middle cars in the train and was at once thrown with considerable violence to the ground, falling between the tracks. The wheels narrowly missed passing over him.

Very Rev. Father Brummer, the vicar-general of the Fort Wayne diocese, is complaining because the public library of that city expends money for purchasing anti-Catholic works, like Thompson's "Footprints of the Jesuits," and procures no Catholic books for the use of the many Catholic residents of Fort Wayne.

A branch of the Catholic Truth Society has been formed in Los Angeles, Cal., with Bishop Montgomery as chaplain. A complete census of each parish is being obtained by the pastors and the work of soliciting membership systematically undertaken, so that all the Catholics of Los Angeles may have an opportunity of aiding the cause of truth and of becoming associate members of this worthy society.

The czar has just bestowed a gift of a thousand rubles on Pere Lagrange, superior of the Convent of St. Stephen at Jerusalem, by way of thanks for a copy of his work, "Saint Etienne et Son Sanctuaire," which Pere Lagrange had sent him. This mark of appreciation undoubtedly shows the position which has been attained by the school for Biblical studies conducted by the Dominican Fathers in Jerusalem.

The departure of Bishop Phelan for Rome will lend color to the recent report that a division of the Pittsburgh diocese is contemplated. During his trip abroad he will doubtless visit his native place, Ballyragget, in the county Kilkenny, and St. Kieran's College, in Kilkenny city, where he made his preparatory studies for the priesthood. He was ordained at Pittsburgh, in 1854, by Bishop O'Connor, the first ordinary of the diocese.

The A. O. H. has divisions in forty-two of the states and also in the District of Columbia. Counting in the Canadian brethren, the order has 1205 divisions and and thirty-two military companies, representing a total membership of 98,878. It has property valued at above \$1,600,000. Bishop Foley, the national chaplain, welcomed the delegates to Detroit in the sermon he delivered at the pontifical high mass with which the convention opened.

The Protestants of Logan, W. Va., are to be commended for their fairness and the earnest search they are making for the truth. The slanders against the Church there, in common with the rest of the country, have had forced on them with such brazenness in the past few years have aroused their interest and they have determined to get to the bottom of the matter, and for this purpose have organized a reading circle for the purpose of studying Catholic doctrine and history.

Sister Superior Adele, head of the convent of Robinsonville, Wis., is dead. Sister Adele came from Belgium and settled in Robinsonville forty years ago. On August 12, 1856, it is said that she had a visitation from the Virgin, who commanded her to build a chapel on the spot and devote all her services to the Church. When Sister Adele told of the apparition the people about hastened to build a chapel and shrine, and to them yearly pilgrimages were made by thousands of devout Catholics.

Prince Max of Saxony, who became a priest some time ago, celebrated his first Mass at Dresden on August 1. Prince Max has always been a very good young man, and never caused his parents a moment's anxiety, but when he proposed to enter the Church about three years ago, his family was as much horrified as if he had expressed a desire to adopt burglary as the serious business of

life. Every effort was used to turn him from the error of his ways, but Max was firm, and eventually was allowed to have his will.

His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons officiated last week at the baptism of the infant child of M. Jules Patenotre, Ambassador of France. The ceremony took place at half-past eleven o'clock in St. Mary's Church. The Cardinal was assisted by Rev. Father Degen, of Cape May, and Rev. Father Phelan, of Florence, N. J.; Rev. Father Caughey, private secretary of the Cardinal, was also present at the ceremony. The godfather was M. Benjamin Constant, member of the Institute of France, represented by the Rev. Father Orhan, of the University of Washington, D. C.; La Marquise de Chambrun, represented by Madame de Romero, wife of the Mexican Minister, was made the godmother in this interesting christening event, which is of international character. After the baptismal ceremonies M. Patenotre entertained his guests at dinner. The child was christened Constance Yvonne. She was born at the seaside home of her parents on June 8, 1896.

On July 22 a great religious demonstration was held in St. James' Cathedral, Montreal, to commemorate the ordination by Archbishop Fabre of the one thousandth priest since his occupancy of the See of Montreal. Nearly two hundred priests who had been ordained by him were present, including some from the United States. A Pontifical Mass was chanted by Bishop Enard, of Valleyfield, and the Archbishop was seated on the throne. All religious orders, both male and female, to the number of nearly one thousand, were in the Cathedral. Congratulatory addresses were read in French by Vicar General Santore, of Valleyfield, and in English by the Rev. James Coyle, the parish priest of Newport, Vt. In his reply the Archbishop stated that at the Summer School at Plattsburg, N. Y., he had lately heard Montreal styled the Rome of America, because of its large number of churches and religious institutions. Some of the graduates of its seminary, he said, were to be found in every diocese of America and others in all parts of the world, and the work was interesting.

Right Rev. Alfred A. Curtis, D.D., who recently decided to retire from active duty as Bishop of Wilmington, is one of the most polished members of the American hierarchy. Now nearing his sixty-fourth year, he is enjoying the tranquility that comes with age and a well-ordered life. The present Bishop of Wilmington has had a most remarkable life, and not one unfiled with the storms and anxieties that beset a person sincerely in search of the truth. Born almost within sight of city where it was destined that he should rule as the head of an important diocese, he has served the Church and State with unceasing activity. Reared in a non-Catholic atmosphere, he became a minister, rising to eminence in the Protestant Episcopal Church. It required a dash of true faith for him to throw aside position and power. He cast off Protestantism as an old garment, and, hastening to England, cast himself at the feet of the great Cardinal Newman, who had been his preceptor of so many young men hungering for the true faith. Following this came his reception into the Church, then his ordination as a priest, and finally his ordination as a Bishop.

A pathetic incident took place in Wall street, New York, last week. A laborer piling cement bags at the bottom of the big excavation for the new Bank of Commerce building, at Nassau and Cedar streets, was struck and pinned to the ground by a falling iron girder weighing more than a ton. The girder was being lowered from the sidewalk and it slipped from the rope. John Dacy was working in the excavation below. The sharp edge of the girder almost cut him in two as it slashed him down. He was forty-one years old, and lived with his family at No. 800 East One Hundred and Second street. A great crowd gathered and an ambulance from the Hudson Street House of Relief came. Dr. Labbe,

the surgeon, brought no relief, however. He refused to remove the man because there was no chance of saving his life. From among the crowd a man in clerical garb pushed his way to the edge of the excavation and began to descend. He was Rev. Father Briody, of St. Peter's Church. He knelt by the side of the dying man and made a short prayer while administering the last sacrament. The crowd stood with bared heads. Dacy died in fifty-five minutes. His body was much mangled.

Over a year ago a bright man in New York conceived and put in execution the idea of putting a lot of American themes on an American scholar, then going to sea, catching a lot of turtles, and making a cargo of turtle soup, which he brought to port. Collector Kilbreth spoiled his scheme, however, by deciding that the canned soup was an importation and subject to duty. The general appraisers reversed this decision, and now the treasury department has directed the collector to carry the question into the United States courts.

Forty years ago a Mali genius conceived the idea of the copper-toed shoe, and he made \$100,000 out of it. It is almost thirty years since Haddon of Providence invented the metal button fastener now in universal use, and a fortune has been made from that also.

Pupils in the German Gymnasiums and Real schools are steadily decreasing in number, preferring to go to the schools where English and French are substituted for Latin.

The people do not vote directly for President, as is well known. They vote for electors, and these electors meet the first Wednesday in December after the election, at the capital of their respective States, and count and seal the votes, which are then sent to the Senate at Washington. The votes are canvassed by the two houses in joint convention, and the result is declared the second Wednesday in February. Though the people know in November who is to be the next President the announcement is not officially made for three months later. The President takes his seat the 4th of March. A number of years ago the person receiving the second highest number of votes was declared Vice President, but the Twelfth amendment was enacted, providing for a separate election for Vice President. The number of electors from each State equals the number of Senators and Representatives to which the State is entitled in Congress, giving each State about the same influence in electing a President as it has in the national councils. The selection of electors is, with a single exception, confined to the people. The exception is South Carolina, where the electors are selected by the Legislature. According to the last apportionment act, there are 447 electoral votes. In the event of the electors failing to elect, the House of Representatives shall choose the President, voting by ballot for the three highest on the list of candidates. Thomas Jefferson and John Quincy Adams were both elected by the House of Representatives.

Simplicity is art, because art is simple. The simplest advertisements— devoid of puzzles and verbal contortions—are the kind that are most easily read and remembered. In this day of rush and push it is the easily read announcements that are read.

Milwaukee is struggling with a proposition to teach the Polish language in the schools of that city. If the advocates of the measure will state their objections to the United States language they will perform a public service. Their reasons would be instructive if not convincing.

Cardinal Satolli's Successor.

The Rome representative of the United Associated Press telegraphs that Rev. Sebastian Martinelli, prior general of the Augustinians, Chauncey, who was recently appointed successor of Cardinal Satolli as papal delegate to the United States, will be consecrated as archbishop on August 25d by Cardinal Rampolla, the papal secretary of state. The ceremony will take place in the church of St. Augustin. Monsignor Martinelli will go to America at the end of September. Cardinal Satolli will return to Rome in November, and will attend the papal consistory in December.

Church Struck by Lightning.

During the heavy thunderstorm Thursday afternoon St. John's Catholic church, situated on the Ridge road about a mile west of Hanford's Landing, was struck by lightning. The tower was damaged considerably.

All Ladies are invited to call at the Culross bakery No. 80 State street; a fine display of baked goods always on hand.

## EDUCATIONAL NOTES.

**Fifty Paragraphs Concerning Happenings in the Field of Learning.**

### Items About Instructors and Institutions.

Both Cardinal Gibbons and Cardinal Vaughan are contributors to current magazines, and both deal with educational topics.

The Rev. Dr. Shahan, Professor of Church History at the Catholic University, Washington, will visit Providence, R. I., early in August.

Bishop Spalding, of Peoria, recently lectured before the National Education Association at Buffalo. His subject was "The Teacher and Pupil."

Two Chinese girls have been graduated from the Medical School of the University of Michigan. So many Japanese have been graduated from the university that three years ago they were able to form an alumni association in Tokyo.

At the Franciscan Seminary, O'Leary, Ind., today, the following professed members of the order will be elevated to the dignity of the priesthood: Rev. Fathers Gaudenzio Schuster, Sigismund Eickro, Venantius Stephan, and Albert Deager.

Most Rev. Archbishop Hennesey of Dubuque announces that the new proposed Provincial Seminary will be built at Kelly's Bluff instead of Table Mountain, as had first been intended. The work on the foundation will begin this summer, and it is hoped to have the seminary ready for occupancy September, 1898.

At the meeting of the Executive Committee of the Most Rev. Archbishop Elder's Golden Jubilee it was found that a surplus of \$3,000 remained. With this the committee will start a fund to be known as the Most Rev. Archbishop Elder's Golden Jubilee Fund, to be devoted to the education of young men for the priesthood in St. Mary's and St. Gregory's Seminaries of the Archdiocese.

At the first meeting of the new Academy Union of post-graduate students of Maynooth, held a few weeks ago at that historic Irish college, notable addresses were made by His Eminence Cardinal Logue, Archbishop of Armagh; the Rt. Rev. Mgr. McElroy, and the Very Rev. Robert O'Leary, S. J. The last named reverend gentleman spoke on the "Higher Catholic Education: the Hope of the Future."

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The following quotation is from the Sandusky (O.) Register, a local paper: "The public school system is rapidly degenerating into a massed roof on a rotten foundation, if we may be permitted to use the word 'rotten' in this item, as we remarked in connection with the examination of some twenty boys for a scholarship at West Point. The children who go through the public schools are not taught to read and write and spell correctly, nor speak correctly, nor are they taught geography or about foreign countries. It is our friends regard with some alarm the tendency of school authorities to

neglect the simple, and to spend too much money on showy or ornamental branches."

At the commencement at Notre Dame University, the visitors and students were joyed to learn that Col. John F. Feltz, of New York City, a Catholic, who last year won the LL.D. degree by Henry T. Ford, at a recent class, gave \$5,000 to Notre Dame, the income of which is to be for the education of some poor serving student. This is the largest ever received at Notre Dame, and is a promising sign of a system of scholarship had long been hoped to be established. Several more gifts coming from members of the class in all parts of the country, and each one so instituted Notre Dame will also furnish a scholarship.

Mr. Thomas J. Mangan, a Catholic of Philadelphia, has named himself an unusually brilliant student. Three years ago, when thirteen years of age, he graduated with honor from the University of Pennsylvania, which is a record in the history of the university. He is now a member of the University of Pennsylvania, and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society. He is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society, and is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society.

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