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The Hotchkiss are said to rejoice at the appearance of a swarm of locusts, although the destructive insects destroy all the verdure in the district. The natives eat them in such quantities that they soon become perceptibly fatter.

Kissing is absolutely unknown in Burma. The nearest approach to it is smelling. The lover puts his arm round the lady he adores and literally smells her cheek. The young mother bends over her baby's little body and continually smells it.

Lizards, it is well known, are attracted by the notes of music, and the negroes in the island of Madeira, when catching them for food, accompany the chase by whistling some tune, which invariably has the effect of drawing great numbers toward them.

Semiramis had a pet vulture. Virgil was fond of feeding a butterfly. Nero loved a starling as well as a fiddle. Commodus fond congenial fellowship with an ape. Helicabalus conversed familiarly with a parrot. Mohammed's dove is one of the most famous of pets.

In Stoilly young men have to exercise extreme care in their demeanor toward young unmarried ladies. Among the lower classes a vendetta results if a man pays attention to an unmarried girl without marrying her, and a vendetta may have fatal consequences for somebody.



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### DIOCESAN NEWS.

What Our Friends in the Surrounding Parishes are Doing

From Our Special Correspondent.  
(Continued from page 1)  
Coldwater.

On Christmas eve Santa Claus made his annual trip over the icy fields to visit the children of the Holy Ghost school, presenting to Rev. Father Staub, in the name of the children, a nice satchel and the Holy Bible with inscription and excellent binding which they had ordered of their good old friend, who in return distributed to them his gifts and sweetmeats. The teacher, too, received a fine lamp, a gift of Rev. Father Staub, and the school children presented him a handsome rocking chair. After recitations and songs, Santa Claus had to go to town again. The children bade him to preserve his good health, so much the more on account of his old age, to come and see them again next year.

**Shortsville.**  
Miss Kate Russell of Watkins and Miss Annie Russell of Rochester spent Christmas with their parents in this place.

Miss Marguerite Phipps of Rochester spent Christmas in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. John Russell and children of Clifton Springs spent Christmas with the former's parents in this place.

Mark McQuillan of Dundee spent Sunday with his parents.

Miss Kittle Heffron of Syracuse is visiting her mother in this place.

**Yonkers.**  
Miss Mary Hickey of Geneva, who was the guest of her aunt Mrs. A. McBride, has returned home.

Mr. Wm. Howe and sister, Minnie, of Rochester, were the guests over Christmas of Miss Nellie Driscoll.

Miss Gertrude Wright, of Clyde, called on Lyons friends Sunday last.

Mr. Frank Fleming of Clyde was here last Sunday.

Mr. Jennings, of Clyde, was in this village Christmas night. He was entertained by the Social Club.

Miss Jennie Moriarty, of Clyde, was the guest Christmas of Mr. and Mrs. I. Whitman.

Mrs. Wm. Allen, one of Rochester's promising young lawyers, was in town for a few hours on Christmas.

Mr. John Fleming, of Meriden, Conn., is the guest of his brother, Jas. Fleming.

Mr. John Bradley, of Baravia, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bradley.

At the annual election of officers of the C. M. B. A., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Spiritual Adviser—Rev. D. W. Kavanaugh; Chancellor, J. M. O'Keefe; President, John F. Aspell; 1st Vice President, P. J. Flynn; 2nd Vice President, D. Beaton; Treasurer, John McEldrum; Recording Secretary, John Lewis; Financial Secretary, Wm. Myers; Assistant Recording Secretary, Thomas Murray; Trustees, Wm. Myers, Assistant Recording Secretary, T. Moran.

At the annual election of officers of the C. B. L., the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Joseph P. Boyle; Vice President, Alden Lewis; Orator, H. F. Myers; Secretary, W. F. Bergin; Collector, M. T. Bradley; Treasurer, James B. Robinson; Chaplain, Rev. D. W. Kavanaugh; Marshal, Peter Helfer; Guard, Thomas Burke; Representative to State Council, W. F. Bergin; alternate, H. F. Myers; Trustees, H. Murphy, Daniel Moran and Stephen Mackin.

Last Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock at St. Michael's Church occurred the marriage of Miss Marie L. Bradley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Bradley, to T. Fleming, of Meriden, Conn. Mr. John Fleming, of Meriden, Conn., brother of the groom, acted as best man, and Miss Maria Walsh, of Clyde, acted as bridesmaid. The bride was attired in a dress of cream colored satin, with a wreath of white roses in her hair. The bridegroom was attired in light blue suit, covered with white organdy. Although the wedding was a private one, the bride received many valuable and costly presents. The young couple will make their future home in Rochester.

**Geneseo.**  
Edward Finnegan spent the holidays at his home in Glensville, N. Y.

Miss Ella Fitzgerald, of Rochester, has been home on a visit.

Miss Johanna Cahill and Miss M. Toole were guests of Mrs. William Donovan, of Canandaigua, this week.

Terrence Dolan and family, of Mt. Morris, spent Christmas with the family of Edward Conlin.

Miss Mary J. Higgins was the guest of her sister, Mrs. W. Curran of Avon over Sunday.

George O'Brien, of Pavilion, spent Christmas with friends here.

Miss Katherine Sully died at the home of her daughter, Miss George Kingston, on the Avon road Monday last, aged 73 years. Deceased leaves surviving one daughter, at whose home she died, and two sons, Patrick Dailey, of this village, and M. Skully, of Avon. The funeral services were held from St. Mary's Church on Wednesday, at 9 o'clock a. m.

The Christmas eve services at St. Mary's Church were midnight Mass and a short sermon by the pastor. The choir sang Rosewig's Mass in G, assisted by a bass quartette under the direction of Prof. Shay, and was excellently rendered. The altar was trimmed with holly and evergreen, under the supervision of the Young Ladies' Altar Society. On Christmas day Mass was celebrated at 11 o'clock a. m., and Rev. J. A. Hickey delivered a sermon. Both services were well attended.

Miss Mary Cloonan, of Rochester, visited relatives here last week.

Miss Ella Burns, of Rochester, was home on a visit.

Barney McBride, of St. Louis, Mo., spent a week with his sisters and brother. It is ten years since Mr. McBride was in Geneseo.

Thomas O'Meara, who is stationed at Niagara Falls, and daughter Mary, of the Danville Union school, is home on a short vacation.

Michael O'Grady is visiting relatives and friends in Rochester.

Daniel Dolan, of Philadelphia, and John O'Brien, of Irondequoit, were home for the holidays.

Misses Mary Dwyer, of Irondequoit, and Elizabeth Dwyer, of Akron, Ohio, were home to spend Christmas and New Years with their parents.

Miss Mary Hickey was the guest of her parents in Weedsport the latter part of the week.

At a meeting of the Daughters of Erin on Friday, Dec. 25th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Miss Henry Lehr, President; Mrs. Lawrence Leonard, Vice President; Miss Mary Hickey, Recording Secretary; Miss Katie Hughes, Financial Secretary; Mrs. J. Snyder, Treasurer; Miss Nora Collins, Guide; Miss Margaret O'Leary, Guard.

The following officers of Branch No. 157 C. M. B. A. will be initiated on Tuesday evening next, Jan. 5th, 1897:

James Dolan, President; Wm. Crystal, 1st Vice President; John Flynn, 2nd Vice President; Martin Shustey, Recording Secretary; Michael Cahill, Assistant Recg. Secretary; Wm. Huston, Financial Secretary; John Toole, Treasurer, M. Delahanty, Chancellor; Wm. Purcell, Marshal; James Costello, Guard; James Dolan and Martin Scheuler, re-elected Trustees.

**Auburn.**  
William Murray of Waterloo was the guest of Auburn friends Christmas.

Miss Gertrude Long of Seymour street has returned from an extended trip in the west.

J. J. Gallagher spent Christmas at his home in Geneva.

William Cowen and Louis Burns of St. Andrew's, and Alex. McCabe of St. Bernard's, Rochester, are home for the Christmas vacation.

Misses Addie and Maggie McConnell are spending their Christmas vacation with their parents in Washington street.

Miss Mamie O'Neill of Van Anden street has returned to her school duties at Merrifield after having spent Christmas with her parents.

Miss Anna Solomon of Sheridan street is home from the Albany Normal college.

Christmas services were held at Holy Family church at midnight and at 7, 8 and 10 o'clock. All were largely attended, especially the midnight. The church was beautifully decorated with laurel and holly. At the back of the beautiful altar numerous candles were artistically arranged to form the words, "Gloria in Excelsis Deo." Rev. Father Hickey delivered a most eloquent sermon on the birth of Christ. The music was especially fine, the choir being assisted by the Hurts orchestra.

**Port Byron.**  
John Fraser of Syracuse and John Rush of Rochester spent Christmas at the residence of Miss Martha Fraser.

Mr. and Mrs. Michael Connors of Syracuse spent Christmas in town visiting friends.

Mr. and Mrs. John Quinn of Lyons and Miss Rose Conroy of Savannah were entertained by Mrs. Quinn Christmas.

Miss Libbie Cushman and a friend from Syracuse are visiting relatives in town.

Martin Welch of New Jersey is the guest of his parents Mr. and Mrs. Richard Welch.

The Misses Malloy spent Christmas in Montezuma, the guest of their brother, Philip Malloy.

Last Sunday Father O'Donohue started a subscription fund for the building of a new church, and names to the amount of \$1,000 were given.

**Caledonia.**  
The C. R. & B. A. will hold a private hop in their room on the evening of January 7th.

About fifty couples attended the leap year party at Blackburn hall Monday evening.

Richard Farrell and wife of Clifton Springs spent Sunday with Mrs. James Boylan.

Miss James McGurk of Manchester spent Tuesday in town.

**Rushville.**  
Dan McCarty visited relatives at East Bloomfield Christmas.

Mrs. Frank Barton returned to Syracuse Tuesday after spending several weeks with relatives in this village.

Miss Maggie Merriman of Geneva spent Christmas with her parents.

Miss Healy entertained her sister, Miss Casby of Canandaigua, over Sunday.

Miss William Sheehan is on the sick list.

Miss Sarah Burns of Rochester was the guest of her parents last week.

John Hurley of Penn Yan is home on a vacation.

Miss Mary Hovey of Canandaigua spent Christmas at home.

Edward Mooney is recovering from injuries received by a fall some weeks ago.

**Seneca Falls.**  
Miss Margaret Costello of Albany is visiting relatives and friends in town.

Thomas Mangan is enjoying his holiday vacation.

Miss Margaret B. LeFleur is home from Albany.

Miss Celia Fanagan of Rochester is visiting her parents on Mynderse street.

Miss Kate Rafferty of Romulus is spending her vacation at her home in this village.

Miss Annie Creiley of Rochester is home for the holidays.

George Keenan and Miss Nellie McGinnis of Romulus spent Sunday in town.

Julia Farley of Detroit, Mich., is spending her vacation at her home in this village.

**Danville.**  
Mrs. Haines, with her son and daughter, of Williamsport, are visiting at M. J. Carmody's.

Miss Mame Gallagher of Rochester is visiting Mrs. Frank Johansen.

Misses Hildegard Sherlock and Josephine O'Meara of Geneseo have been visiting Danville friends.

The following young people were home for Christmas: Miss Mary Rowan of the Geneseo Normal; Miss Katherine Ougley of Olean; Misses Mildred Toles, Mamie O'Hara and Julia Reap of Rochester; and Miss Emma Shafer of Portage.

Harry Bradley of Buffalo was in town last week.

The annual banquet of the C. R. & B. A. occurred on the 1st inst.

The dancing class under the supervision of Mr. Wm. Noland and Prof. George Kramer will give a reception in the Heckman Opera house Tuesday evening.

The usual Christmas services were observed in both Catholic churches. In St. Patrick's church the choir under the direction of Miss Nellie Bacon, organist, rendered Millard's mass. Miss Gretchen Gallagher assisted with violin accompaniments. The usual collections were taken and instructive sermons were preached by the pastor.

**Ripans Tabule cure headache.**  
Ripans Tabule: gentle cathartic.

**Ovid.**  
Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Whalen and daughter, of Ovid, are visiting Mrs. W. J. parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. McInnis.

Miss Julia McDonald of Cortland is spending the holiday vacation with her parents in this village.

Mrs. Michael Dougherty and family, of Ithaca, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDonald this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Van Houten and Miss Mary McDonald of Ithaca spent Christmas at their home in this village.

Miss Ella White of Rosendale returned to her school duties after spending the holiday vacation at her home.

Miss Jennie White and Mary Rafferty of Ithaca were home for Christmas.

Thomas McCarragher of Geneva spent Sunday in this village.

Patrick Savage of Waterloo spent Christmas with friends in this village.

Mr. and Mrs. James Mullaney spent Christmas with relatives at Batavia and East Pembroke.

William McElroy who has been very sick, is improving.

Dancing school opened in Columbus hall Monday night with Messrs. Condy and O'Keefe as teachers.

Miss Ella Feehan of Westport, Essex county, is spending the holidays at her home here.

It has been calculated that the actual amount of salt contained in the ocean would cover an area of 5,000,000 square miles with a layer a mile thick.

The famous suspension bridge at Niagara, built in 1855, is to be superseded by a new steel structure, with an arch 550 feet long and 360 feet above the water level.

A wooden rag saturated with boiled linseed oil is recommended for removing scratches from a highly polished surface, which may afterward be varnished with shellac dissolved in alcohol.

There seems to be some difference of opinion as to the location of the coldest spot in the world. De Myer says that at Huldig, Siberia, 55 below the zero of Fahrenheit is considered nothing out of the ordinary.

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### FLY, ENVIOUS TIME.

THUS SANG MILTON OF THE PARTING YEAR.

Man and His Marvels Pass Awaft:  
Timeless Time Rolls On—The Deathless  
The Year Brings a Feeling of Sadness.  
A New Face at the Door.

Even now the gray dawn of the new year is peeping over the horizon. We can almost hear the bells tolling the midnight mass for the dying year.

Yes, the year is growing old, and his eye is pale and bleared.  
Death, with frosty hand and cold,  
Plucks the old man by the beard,  
Surely, surely!

Let us affect a gay spirit, if we will. There is an indescribable, unnamable sadness that comes over us all at this dying of the old year. There is a feeling of unspoken dread, a sense of utter loneliness, that takes possession of our souls as the taper of the old year burns low. If a man ever feels the chill of the supernatural, it is at this time. One hears strange sounds and sees uncanny visions:

Through woods and mountain passes  
The shadows, like anthems, roll.  
They are haunting a sterna masses,  
Singing, "Pray for this poor soul,  
Pray, pray!"

So Long! How dwelt mournfully on the passing of the old year, and in like manner did Tennyson bemoan its demise:

Fall here, O sleep the winter snow,  
And the winter winds are wearily sighing.  
Toll ye the church bell sad and slow  
And bid the old year live a-dying.

For the old year lives a-dying,  
Old year, you must not die,  
You come to us so readily,  
You lived with us so steadily—  
Old year, you shall not die.

**Step gently.** Death is almost here.  
His face is growing sharp and thin.  
Alack, or if friend is gone, he'll  
Close up his eyes, tie up his chin,  
Step from the corpse and let him in  
That stands there alone  
And watch at the door  
There's a new foot on the floor, my friend,  
And a new face at the door, my friend—  
A new face at the door!

And thus the old year dies and the new year begins:

Again the silent wheels of time  
Their annual round have given  
The New Year's day is breaking:  
The wave is breaking on the shore,  
The orb fading from the chime,  
Again the shadow moveth over  
The dial plate of time

And time speeds on—that ever changing,  
Timeless, crunching time: that time  
Of which Milton sang in a voice that is  
now hushed by time:

Fly, envious time! till thou run out thy race!  
Call on the lay leader stepping hours  
Whose speed is but the heavy plummet's pace  
And bid thy fly with what thy wings do weave,  
Which is no more than what is false and vain  
And merely mortal dross,  
So little is thy gain,  
So little is thy gain.

For, when as each thing had then hast entomb'd  
And last of all thy greedy self consumed,  
Then long eternity shall greet our bliss  
With an individual kiss,  
And joy shall be as pain as a flood,  
And every thing that is eternally good  
And perfectly divine,  
With truth and peace and love, shall ever shine  
Above the supreme throne  
Of him to whose happy making sight alone  
When once our heavenly guided soul shall  
climb,  
Then all this earthly grossness quit,  
Attired with stars we shall forever sit,  
Triumphing over death and chance and thee,  
O Time!

And so time goes on and has gone on for ages upon ages. Time chants:

Before my breath, like blazing fax,  
Man and his marvels pass away!  
And changing empires wax and wane  
Are founded, flourish and decay.

**Time has**  
seen some strange mutations:  
The Roman empire has begun and ended—  
New worlds have risen—we have lost old nations.

And countless kings have into dust been  
humbled.

But no matter how we bid the parting  
year farewell, or how we shall hail the  
new—no matter how we measure it—  
time keeps slipping but surely ticking  
away.

Time, like a brilliant steel with seven rays  
And with a thousand eyes, imperishable,  
Full of fondness, bears all things onward.  
On him ascend the learned and the wise  
Time, like a seven wheeled, seven naved car,  
moves on.

His rolling wheels are all the worlds, his axle  
is immortality.

Each new year brings us nearer the  
earthly end, nearer the call of the faith-  
ful Bellman, who sings:

Along the dark and silent night,  
With my lantern and my light,  
And the twinkling of my bell,  
Thus I walk, and thus I tell:  
Death and dreadfulness call on  
To the general session.

To those dismal bars we there  
All accounts must come to clear.  
Scores of sins we've made here, many  
Wiped out low, God knows, if any.  
Eise, ye debtors, then, and fall  
To make payments, while I call.  
Fonder this, when I am gone—  
By the clock 'tis almost one.

—Chicago Record.

**No Church Services in Scotland.**

Ever since the reformation New Year's has absorbed the place of Christmas; but, strange to say, although the reformers in their zeal denounced Christmas as popish, they did not in any way encourage or countenance any religious services on New Year's day. The English peasant goes to church and returns to eat his Christmas dinner. His brother, the Scottish plowman, lets no thought of religious service enter into his enjoyment of the day. Most strange it is that a most pagan observance of a pagan feast has taken deepest root in Scotland, the home of the covenants and cradle of theology, where the kirk still holds sway over the masses, and that the Scots, pre-eminently religious above all the nations, will have no church services enter into the enjoyment of their national feasts.—Philadelphia Ledger.

**Scotch "First Footing."**