

## CITY PARISH NEWS

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

On Tuesday evening, March 30, Rev. Dr. Breen of St. Bernard's seminary will give an illustrated lecture on "The Masterpieces of Art," at the Immaculate Conception School hall. This lecture is to be given under the auspices of the Columbian Literary Circle, and will embrace about sixty illustrations of the world's best masterpieces.

### ST. MICHAEL'S

Mrs. Anna M. Langknecht, a woman aged 70 years, dropped dead in the aisle of this church last Sunday morning during mass. Mrs. Langknecht resided on Clifford st. She left her home at 10 o'clock to go to church reaching the church half an hour later. As she entered, an usher saw her sway and totter, and before he could reach her side she had fallen to the floor. She was still living, however, and was carried to the house of Father Hargather, which stands next to the church, where she expired a few moments later. The funeral took place from the family residence, 194 Clifford street, Wednesday morning at 8:30, and at 9 o'clock from the church.

Elizabeth Huhn died Tuesday morning at her home, No. 1 Cleveland park, aged 68 years and 11 months. She leaves two sons and three daughters. The funeral was held Thursday morning at 9 o'clock from the church.

### ST. JOSEPH'S

Catherine, wife of George Lomb, died Tuesday morning at the family residence, 696 North St. Paul street, aged 30 years. Besides her husband she leaves four children, two brothers and two sisters. The funeral was held Friday morning at 9 o'clock from the church.

### CATHEDRAL

Patrick Matthews died Thursday at his home, 259 Lyell avenue, after a short illness. He was born in the County Louth, Ireland, in 1828, and came to this country in 1848. He took up his residence in this city in 1852, and has been engaged in business here ever since. He was one of the oldest members of the Cathedral parish. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He is survived by five daughters and two sons.

Mrs. Ann Weadick died Wednesday morning at the family residence, 57 Jones street. She is survived by four sons, James and William Weadick of Sacramento, and Patrick Weadick of this city.

### ST. MARY'S

The funeral of Mrs. Frank Cramer took place Friday morning at 9 o'clock from the family residence, 11 Doulon street, and at 9:30 from the church.

Anna Brown died Thursday morning at the home of her aunt, Mrs. A. Waterson. Funeral will be held this (Saturday) morning at 8:30 from the house, and at 9 o'clock from the church.

### HOLY BREKEMER

Theresa, wife of Joseph Dorsner, died Wednesday night at the family residence, No. 415 North avenue, aged 36 years. Besides her husband she leaves two children. The funeral took place Friday morning at 8:30 from the house and at 9 o'clock from the church.

### AGENTS WANTED.

If you do not see any news from your parish in THE JOURNAL write us. We desire an agent and correspondent in every parish in the diocese.

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## RELIGION IN IRELAND

A SIDE LIGHT ON ITS HISTORY IN THE TIME OF HENRY VIII.

Two Cases of Henry's Secession From the Faith—The Solidification of Catholicism in Ireland—A Plea For Liberty of Conscience.

In the course of a lecture on "The Irish Church in the Time of Henry VIII" delivered recently in Philadelphia by the Rev. Joseph V. O'Connor some interesting things were said concerning the process by which Catholicism was solidified in Ireland.

"The change of religion in England in the sixteenth century," said the speaker, "was due to causes which were entirely different from those that led to the reformation on the continent. In contrast with the preaching and persuasion of Luther stands Henry VIII's arbitrary decree constituting himself head of the church and punishing with death every recusant Catholic or Protestant. His quarrel with the pope for the latter's refusal to sanction his divorce from Catharine of Aragon is so obviously in evidence as a reason for quitting the Catholic church that only a special pleader, like J. A. Froude, adduces any theological arguments in defense of Henry's secession from the ancient faith.

"He held and enforced all the tenets of Roman Catholicism, except the supremacy of the pope and a few points of discipline. Yet, from time to time, he appears to have regarded himself as a mouthpiece of divine inspiration, and toward the close of his reign, the only confession of faith which he tolerated was 'I believe as and with the king.' The Catholic church in England can boast of such martyrs as Bishop Fisher and Sir Thomas More, and Henry found sturdy opposition to his innovations in its inception. He, however, lowered the tone of the English hierarchy by promoting to important sees ecclesiastics like Crommer, who were only his creatures and tools.

"The reformation was signalized in Ireland by the suppression of the religious houses and by the induction of bishops who were favorable to the king's claim of headship in the church. This latter pretension was acknowledged by an act of the Irish parliament, from which the clergy were excluded. The introduction of the reformed religion into Ireland served as an occasion for uniting the Anglo-Norman and the Milesian chieftains in a community of Catholicism. The new faith was everywhere opposed, and Ireland cast herself definitely on the side of the pope.

"The study of the afflictions which befall England by reason of religious feuds and dissensions only emphasizes the wisdom of keeping church and state separate. Henry failed in the attempt which greater monarchs have made, and in which they have failed—the attempt to constrain conscience by force and to vindicate religion by fire and sword.

"The sacred book, around which so many useless and unchristian contests have raged, gives us the divine test of its own strength and the strength of Christianity. Gamaliel, the learned rabbi, said to the persecutors of the apostles, 'If this doctrine is from God, in vain shall ye fight against it.' Christianity ought to show to the fairest advantage in England, Scotland and Ireland. The three countries are profoundly religious. No Catholic surpasses the Irish Catholic in depth and fervency of faith. No Protestant land has clung to the principles of the reformation as England and Scotland have clung. Protestantism in Germany suffered a decline within a century to the real injury of the people, who were exposed to every vagary of skepticism. The unhappy religious controversies in Great Britain, which divided three noble and Christian commonwealths, form one of the saddest pages in history. That divine religion which should have united men was used to array them in arms against one another.

"It is for Christians in America to give to the world an example, and a proof that we can live in peace and unity as brethren in Christ and children of one Father. Let us be warned by English history to keep church and state separate and to maintain at every hazard liberty of conscience for all. God speed the day when we shall forget the battle of the Boyne and join our forces in the only warfare in which Christians should participate—the warfare against sin. We want to see our children, Catholic and Protestant, marching in friendship and unity under the banner of our Lord Jesus Christ and the flag of our common country."

### Catholic Faith as to the Bible.

It is of Catholic faith that the whole of the Bible such as St. Jerome has left it in the version known as the Vulgate is inspired and contains no material error or explicit denial of a truth, even in the fields of history, chronology or science, as well as in faith and morals. In regard to science the inspired writers had to use language that would be understood by those for whom they wrote, as we even today speak of the sun rising and setting, and, with reference to history and chronology, whatever errors there are must be attributed to careless copyists and presumptuous commentators and annotators, and these can be corrected by means of the ordinary rules of criticism. It is not the Bible, then, that is in error, but men's misconception of it, chiefly through their neglect to consult the authority appointed by God to interpret it.—Catholic Standard and Times.

### The Potency of Prayer.

No matter how you are circumstanced in life, no matter what your temptations, no matter how little relief or satisfaction you may take in offering up your supplications, if you pray and continue to pray, even with apparent dryness of heart, those prayers will reach the throne of the merciful Savior, and you will not and cannot be lost.—Rev. Father Walsh, San Jose, Cal.

## THE A. P. A.'S POLICY.

Intention That It Will Be Subjected to Radical Modification.

For some time there have been rumors afloat from which it was to be inferred that the American Protective association contemplated a certain change of policy. It was claimed that many of the leaders of the organization had experienced a change of conviction and sentiment and that they had come to the conclusion that the order, if it continues its existence, must be conducted on principles radically different from those on which it was founded.

One of the leaders of the organization, a Mr. Thompson of St. Louis, is reported to have recently expressed himself in conformity with this new sentiment. He is credited with having said: "I am fully convinced now that the A. P. A. has expended its energies in the wrong direction and has failed to pursue the wisest course. Our policy has been to defeat any member of the Roman Catholic church who was a candidate for office regardless of his personal merits or demerits. Now I believe there are thousands and hundreds of thousands of Catholics in the United States who are as truly and genuinely loyal to this country and its institutions as I am, and when we have antagonized such men we have committed a grave error. I believe that in the future we should oppose and will oppose wrong principles instead of waging a war upon individuals. This, I believe, is the sentiment of the more intelligent and advanced portion of the membership of the American Protective association."

Another widely known member of the order is quoted as saying: "I am fully in sympathy with what Mr. Thompson has said. I have long believed that the A. P. A. was wrong in indiscriminately fighting all members of the Roman Catholic church, and I have never hesitated to say so by tongue or pen. The organization is already greatly changed from what it was when it was first instituted by Father Bowers, and I believe there is a very general and rapidly increasing sentiment in favor of a still more radical departure in the direction of liberalism."

## THE WORK OF THE CHURCH.

From First to Last Her Fight Is Against the Sources of Evil.

Go to the end of the world, and in all its length and breadth, wherever civilized man has set his foot, there you find his church and mark of progress, advancement, and the people filled with the odor of Christian virtues and charities. Christianity is not in any manner or degree a failure, as you can see by the broadening influence it has exerted upon the world and its Saviour. Through the opening skies he gives us a view of the heaven he has in store for us. He has thrown a strong light on the darkness with which we are surrounded, even though we see but in part. Not only in this sense is he a Saviour, but also in a higher and nobler one, because he would save people from their sins. Moral evil is the source from which all other evils of this world have their beginning. It is the potent source from which all evils have flowed. The external evils which we see all come from something concealed, and from time immemorial the best men have been trying to remedy the evil inherent in human nature. From the beginning down to our own day to find a corrective of these moral evils has been the work of the church. Either to do away with them entirely or at least to counteract their effects.—Archbishop Riordan, San Francisco.

## HOTELS AND SUMMER BOARDING HOUSES.

Information for West Shore List.

The West Shore Railroad list of hotels and summer boarding houses for the season of 1897 is now in course of preparation. The list will embrace all the hotels and summer boarding houses on the line of the West Shore, Wallkill Valley, Ulster & Delaware, Stony Clove & Catskill Mountain, Kaaterskill, Catskill Mountain & Cairo and Delaware & Hudson railroads.

In order that the list may be made as complete as possible, and that correct information may be given to those seeking summer homes; hotels, summer boarding and farm houses desiring summer boarders are requested to address C. E. Lambert, General Passenger agent, West Shore Railroad, 5 Vanderbilt avenue, New York, for blank form on which to give the desired information. No charge is made for representation in this list.

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