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SUMMER SCHOOL.

EVERYTHING PROGRESSING FINELY AT PLATTSBURGH.

Eloquent Lectures Delivered Daily—Delightful Social Programs.

PLATTSBURGH, N. Y.—Another week has passed over the Summer School, at Plattsburgh, and it did seem that the elements had determined to test the powers of the institution; rain fell in torrents that looked as if Noah's little experiences was but of yesterday, but our Ark rode the stream down gallantly and the bright sun which is now peeping through the lattice of the heavens finds us with feathers as unruffled as the dove. When last we wrote the gentle (dignified) Papal delegate and his genial auditor Mgr. Sharette were still with us; they honored the school by remaining until the afternoon of Friday, the 23d, lending the encouragement of their presence to almost every function whether of an intellectual or social nature, which took place on the grounds during their stay. Father McMahon's morning lectures on "The Liturgy of the Church," were a treat of instruction, symbolism and devotion, and was supplemented by a reunion at the New York cottage when the learned doctor talked to the large audience the practical use of the Roman Missal and astonished too many of his hearers who have been in the habit of looking on the missal as a kind of miniature breviary, too deep for the laity. Father McMahon's explanation of the rights of the dying and dead appealed to the deepest feelings of those present, as was attested by many a silent tear gently brushed aside. It is to be hoped that he will be induced to put his remarks in pamphlet form.

The history conferences of Prof. Vallette increase in interest so much that many regret they allowed other things to prevent following them from the beginning. The conference on Monday was intensified in interest by the exhibition of a small portion of the ashes of Columbus. Not that the latter was cremated, as some enthusiastic advocates of that mode of sepulchre might fancy. The Professor gave a most interesting detail of the burial of the immortal discoverer. The various opinions asked as to the location of his grave and finally of its being found under circumstances which have no doubt of authority, in the Cathedral of San Domingo where one of the delegates present collected some of the sacred ashes and divided it into four portions, one portion of which a combination of circumstances came into the possession of Mayor Thatcher of Albany, who in his great interest in the Summer School lectured here one week before last and on his return home sent this precious relic to the Professor to exhibit to his audience. Father Currier was most enthusiastically cheered at the close of his thrilling lectures on the Eastern Question, and the unanimous wish of the audience was that he would return next summer was earnestly voiced by Rev. President Lavelle.

Saturday afternoon being rainy and dull an impromptu gathering was held at the New York Cottage to dispel the clouds that might gather. Father Currier again showed his versatility of talent by a clever, witty eulogy on the cigar—calling on the audities of genius in the days of Thackeray, Prout, Dickens and Cruikshank. To speculate on what might have been the changed features of the Iliad of Odysseus had the inspiring, soothing weed been known to Homer and Virgil.

Miss Ryan, of Elmira, sang "Believe Me if all Those Endearing Young Charms," in deep full tones that would have delighted the soul of Moore. Miss Sullivan called forth screams of laughter by her impersonation of "the effect of a mouse on a husband and wife, when this lord of creation left his gentle helpmate completely in the back-ground of absurdity, by his uncontrollable terror.

Rev. John Talbot Smith, the great Folk Lore literature, then read from his book "Saragat." He held his audience with "A smile on the lip and a tear in the eye" while he pictured the very pronounced exhibition of human nature in the persons of dear old Mrs. Sullivan, and pedagogic eloquence of Mr. Tim Grady, and closing with a true artist's coloring of the loving pastor walking in the churchyard, gazing on the living and thinking of the dead of his flock.

O! for a pen that could convey but the slightest idea of the blessed blend-

ing there is a the Summer School or the deepest depths in knowledge, sacred and profane, the most beautiful in literature, classic and modern, the aesthetic in art, and the most joyous in sociability, all gently, sweetly and intelligently directed by pure religion. Surely the pride that swells in the Catholic heart at such a realization of being "All to all to win all to Christ," will be pardoned. On Sunday as usual the high mass was sung at the church of St. John the Baptist, in Plattsburgh. Father Mullaney, the father of the Winter School, being celebrant, assisted by Rev. P. Daly of the New York Cathedral; Rev. John J. Tierney of Mt. St. Mary's college M. D. and Rev. Joseph H. McMahon, of the New York cathedral. Father O'Sullivan, of St. Albans, preached in the "Nature, Dignity and Obligations of our Divine Adoption." We send but a short abstract as our letter has gradually grown to such proportion positively refusing to be abbreviated, not will it be silent until it tells of the happiness felt at Father Lavelle's description on his return from New York where he accompanied the Holy Father's Representative, of the unadorned terms in which Mgr. Martinielli expressed his unqualified approbation of all he had seen at the school.

Our next letter will tell you of the lectures of Father Halpin, S. J., Mr. M. J. Dwyer, of Boston, and Rev. James Mitchell, Chancellor of the Brooklyn diocese, as well as the delightful social program of the week. We also anticipate much from the lectures of Rev. Francis W. Howard, of Columbus, Ohio, Rev. Thomas P. McLaughlin, S. T. L. of New York city, as well as the courses in physical culture and elocution, conducted by Miss Collins, of Martyn school, Washington, D. C., who has given proof of her marked ability by recitations at many of the cottages.

CLIFF HAVEN, Aug. 3, 1897.—Time only intensifies the interest being shown in the Summer School. My last letter left us "half sunshine, half tears." To-day the sunshine prevails, in reality and metaphorically. To say that everyone is smiling would be but a weak statement of facts; the more ungrateful but hearty broad laugh is nearer the mark. Last evening, as I sat with a happy, home-like group on the piazza of "The Washington," merry and deep peals of laughter floated from our neighbor, the "Champlain club," while strains of music came floating from the hospitable "Philadelphia" and "New York."

Indeed, there seems to be a happy rivalry between all the houses to make each and every one happy. Some of the social attractions at the "New York" were an afternoon delightfully passed in listening to Father J. Talbot Smith reading from his own talented books, and a sacred concert on Sunday evening after benediction at "Our Lady of the Lake," which each week receives something additional to its simple but devotional decorations. The little chapel has now three rustic altars, and from 6.30 until 9 each morning the holy sacrifice of the mass is continuously offered up by the many priests who are visiting Cliff Haven. A sight which must strike the least thoughtful even in the midst of the social and recreative hours of the deep and divine mission of the Catholic school, which has for its object the strengthening and spiritualizing of all progress.

The "Philadelphia" gave an enjoyable progressive euchre party, and the "Washington," a small, informal party of "Hearts." Here also the talented Miss Marie Collins entertained some appreciative evening visitors by her inimitable description of the impression made on inhabitants of various nations on their first sight of Bartholdi's statue of "Liberty" in New York bay.

One evening Miss Ada Mosher of Baltimore, whose many poems are so well known to readers of the "Cosmopolitan" and the "Mirror," opened the program at the Auditorium by a spirited recitation of Frank Dupre's touching Texan story of "Lashes," and generously answered the warm encore by the character sketch of "Aunt Sylvie's Lesson in Geography."

Father Halpin's morning lectures closed on Friday morning, much to the regret of his hearers.

Father Mitchell gave two intensely interesting lectures on the "Greek Schism," giving an exhaustive showing of the subject of division between the Greeks, the "United Greeks" and the Roman church. The able chancellor of the Brooklyn diocese shows his interest in the school by a

prolonged stay at the "Champlain club."

As usual the Sunday services were held in Plattsburgh's beautiful church. Rev. Dr. McMahon celebrated high mass, with Father Mullaney of Syracuse as deacon and Father Mitchell of Brooklyn sub-deacon. Rev. Father Lavelle acting as master of ceremonies. Father Thomas J. M. McCluskey, S. J., newly elected pastor of St. Francis Xavier's church, 16th street, and vice rector of the college, preached an eloquent sermon, taking St. Ignatius and his work for his subject.

Father McCluskey stopped at the "Washington," but grieved his many friends by being obliged to return to New York on Monday to assume his new and heavy responsibilities. It seems a happy coincidence that two Sons of Ignatius should have been expounding his teachings at the Catholic Summer School the week of his feast.

Mrs. Mary Lator Mitchell gave a lecture Monday evening on "Madame Schewtchine, the Franco-Russian," which was well received by a large audience.

So much for what has passed. The coming week offers an "embarrassment of riches" on the plane of the grave, gay and privileged. Of the latter comes the reception to President McKinley and his distinguished party, who are staying at the ideal "Lake Champlain Hotel" near by. He has been called on by Father Lavelle, from whom he received and accepted an invitation to visit the school. The next of next week a reception will be tendered Mr. McKinley, at which many distinguished persons, among others, Archbishop Corrigan, Bishop McQuaid and Bishop Wigger will be present.

THOUGHTLESS CHRISTIANS
They Are Found in Every Parish—How They May Be Recognized.

Attention has been called to several kinds of Christians who are listed among the undesirable. There are the "one-legged" Christians who insist on adoring only on one knee. The nomadic follower who wanders into the next parish when there is a collection on in his own. The modest believer who takes a position near the floor and maintains it against all comers. The absent-minded fellow who plants himself so regularly in your pew that you begin to think he has purchased a sitting in it from some one. The steadfast brother who imagines that the outside seat belongs to him personally and that he alone is justified in occupying it, and so on. We took the liberty of classifying them all as among those who could very well be missed from any church, but whose obnoxious presence made them everywhere distinctly visible.

We have another to add to this list. And when we think it over we are at a loss to know how we omitted any mention of him on all previous occasions. He should certainly have been placed at the head of the list. For he is the most unchristian, the most exasperating and is certainly more condemned than any of the others. We have in mind the selfish, mean, contemptible, unfair individual who rushes into the confessional ahead of those who have been patiently awaiting their turn.

In writing we have used the masculine pronoun. We do not do this to leave the impression that the male Christians are the only offenders. They have plenty of female companions. In fact, in the present case, they far outnumber their brothers.

There is a certain amount of fairness in man which makes him less liable to commit this fault. We do not know that he is deserving of any credit for this. If he had any different inclination the chances are that his comrades in his youth pounded it out of him. The gentle nature of woman deprives her of this desirable training and perhaps accounts in this and some other respects for her indifference to the rights of others.

All difference aside this is a serious matter and should receive the attention of any who have in the past offended. Those who have patiently waited should not be deprived of their rights. If they are it is apt to send thoughts into their heads which have no place there at such a time. As a priest once said, the first thing a penitent should confess, was what he considered the sin of having taken without permission another's place.—Advocate.

Hood's Pills are the best family cathartic. Gentle, reliable, sure.

THE RYANS

ARE DESCENDANTS OF KING MILSESIUS OF SPAIN.

They Can Claim a High and Distinguished Lineage.

J. D. O'Connell of U. S. Treasury Department writing to the New York Sun recently in regard to the newspaper talk of the inequality between the lineage of a Cadwalader and that of a Ryan, has some very interesting things to say about the latter.

It may be remembered that a Dr. Charles Cadwalader, one of the foremost physicians and belonging to one of the oldest families of Philadelphia, Pa., lately married his domestic, Miss Bridget Mary Ryan. The people of his caste were horrified shocked at what they called a mesalliance. It may further be stated to the young lady's shame that she gave up the faith and the faith of her fathers at the marriage. She sold her birthright for a mess of pottage a la Philadelphia. The newspapers commented on the genealogy of the doctor, but through ignorance, did not speak of Miss Ryan's ancient lineage. But Mr. O'Connell does and this is what he says:

"Surely a Cadwalader, even if he were a direct lineal descendant of the British battle-arranger, is not unsuitably mated when his wife can claim at least as high and distinguished a lineage as his own."

"English surnames indicate, as a general rule, nothing more than an ancestor, not very remote, was a 'Jack,' or a 'John,' or a 'Tom,' or a son of Jack, John, Tom, &c.; or that he followed a trade or handicraft—e. g., Smith, Taylor, Tyler, Butcher, Baker, Barber, Cook, Sheppard, Howard, &c. On the other hand, Celtic surnames always indicate descent in the male line from clans or sept of common blood—all of the clansmen being equal in degree as to social status, eligibility for chieftainship and landed possessions, quite as much so as in the Roman system, where a Gentile name was always proof of gentility of birth. Therefore, to this day in Ireland a Gentile name is proof of ancient pedigree and gentle blood, albeit the latter has doubtless been contaminated with so-called Anglo-Norman and 'Anglo Saxon' infusions."

"Now in Celtic genealogy no sept or clan was more distinguished than the O'Ryan—Ryans. Traditionally, they were descended from Milesius, King of Spain, through the line of Hermon, eighth son of that monarch. The founder of the family was Fiachd Baiceda, son of Cathine More, King of Ireland, A. D. 144. The chiefs of the Ryan sept or clan were styled Lords of Idrona and Owey. The O'Ryan of Tipperary also possessed the barony of Oweybeg in the county of Limerick. The O'Ryan of Leinster are the descendants of Cahir More, who was King of Leinster in the beginning of the second century, and number eighty-nine in descent on the line of Hermon. Cormac, brother of Eoghan (or Owen), who was numbered ninety-seven on the MacMorrough pedigree, was the ancestor of O'Regan, anglicized Mulrian, O'Ryan, Ryan and Ryne. A branch of the O'Ryan were Princes of Hy-Drone (Idrona), in the country of Cathar, and were the stock of the Ryans who had extensive possessions in Tipperary, where the present Mrs. Charles Cadwalader was born, and her children will be entitled to bear the O'Ryan coat of arms and crest, as follows:

Arms: G. a griffin's head, crested ar. Crest: A griffin's head, holding in the sinister claw a dagger pp.
"Historically, the territory of the O'Ryan was subjected to the intrusion of the Anglo-Normans almost from the landing of the latter in Ireland. It was after a conflict with O'Ryan, Lord of Hy-Drone, that Strongbow slew his own son for having deserted his post during the battle. The O'Ryan have contributed to Irish history many warriors' hands and learned men. Therefore, when a Cadwalader and a Ryan intermarry it becomes a union of two thoroughly good Celtic names, indicative of high lineage and clean blood, and the only thing alien to that ancient blood is the baptismal name of the bride, 'Bridget.' If Miss Ryan had ever had any desire to claim Norman lineage, she could have established it in the customary way, by showing that the name 'Bridget' came into Ireland with the Normans, that is was a very honorable Christian name in England up to the time when Cromwell gave it in baptism to his beloved eldest

daughter Bridget, who afterward became Lady Deputy of Ireland, and Mrs. Gen. Ireton and Mrs. Lord Deputy Fleetwood, which I think, was a sufficient reason why the Irish should have ever afterward discarded that English form of the name and returned to its more euphonious British form of 'Breda'."

The Ryans were according to history, in the special body-guard of Washington. They fought in the wars of the Revolution, Mexico and Rebellion. Descended as they were from valiant heroes, they nobly fought and fell for the cause they had espoused.

CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

What is Transpiring in the Different Fraternities—Current Calendars.

Knights of St. John.

Col. Henry N. Schlick, commander of the First Regiment, Knights of St. John, has issued the following order: ROCHESTER, N. Y., July 29, 1897. General Order No. 14:

I. The officers and Sir Knights of this command are hereby ordered to be and appear fully uniformed and equipped for parade and field exercises on Wednesday, August 11th, at 8.30 a. m., sharp.

II. Line will be formed on Franklin street, right resting on Andrews street and extending north, at 8.45 sharp, and will move through Andrews to State, to East Main, to University avenue, where cars will be taken to camp at Glen Haven, on Irondequoit bay.

III. The staff will report to the colonel fully uniformed and equipped (dismounted), at headquarters, at 8.30 sharp.

IV. The line officers and band will report to the adjutant upon arrival at place of formation not later than 8.40 a. m., sharp.

V. The captains of the companies will report for instructions, as will also the staff officers, on Friday evening, July 30th, at headquarters. It is necessary that all attend this instruction. Guidance sheets will be distributed at this instruction.

By order:
HENRY N. SCHLICK,
Col. Com'dg 1st Regiment.
J. P. LEINEN, Adjutant.
[Official.]
E. J. MOCK, Aid-de-Camp.

Central Council of the C. R. & B. A. held its annual outing at Windsor Beach Thursday. It was the largest picnic ever held by this organization in this city. The plans of the day had been admirably mapped out, and not a break occurred in the programme. The picnicers started at an early hour on chartered cars on the Sumnerville line.

At noon the lunch baskets were opened in the pavilion and for an hour the picnicers regaled themselves with the good things therein. After dinner the following programme of sports was run off: Ball game between the East and West sides, won by the East side; prize, case of wine. Ladies' race; winner, Mrs. Kenney; prize, silk umbrella. Men's race; winner, R. F. Caring; prize, box of cigars. Hop leap and jump; winner, John Cahill; prize, sweater. Young ladies' race; winner, Miss Maude Hamlin; prize, gold badge. Men's race; winner, W. P. Hamlin; prize, silver headed cane. Ladies' race; winner, Mrs. Hauck; prize, hat. Boys' race; winner, Edmund Chapin; prize, cuff buttons. Girls' race; winner, Elizabeth Rice; prize, 10 pounds assorted candies. Tag of war; four men against twelve women; winners, women; prize, case of wine. Three-legged race; winner, John Furlong and Thomas Shannon; prize, box of cigars.

The tug of war was very interesting. As the ladies were pulling the last man over the line some one cut the rope, causing a spill which took some minutes to straighten out. A band accompanied the picnicers. The evening was spent in dancing. The central committee had charge of the affair. This committee is composed of three delegates from each local council. The officers of the central council are: President, Henry Himmelsbach; vice-president, Louis Haliz; secretary, Catherine Carney; treasurer, Thomas Shannon.

The trustees of the supreme council, C. R. & B. A., are to meet in this city Sept. 7th.

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IN NINETY-EIGHT

A MONSTER PILGRIMAGE TO THE LAND OF JULY NEXT YEAR.

The Historic Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Virgin Mary.

A number of prominent Irish-Americans have taken steps for the organization of a monster pilgrimage of Irish-Americans to Ireland in July of next year to co-operate in public demonstration in Dublin to commemorate the intervention of 1798, which is being arranged by the Irish members of Parliament and distinguished citizens of the chief cities of Ireland. The projectors are sanguine that it will prove the greatest Irish national demonstration in which Irish-Americans have ever participated. The arrangements are in charge of an association of laymen and clergymen known as the Ninety-eight Centennial Association of America, of which Recorder John W. Goff of New York is chairman.

At the last meeting of the executive committee in New York to arrange preliminaries, Edward O'Flaherty presided. Sixty delegates from various societies were present, and a sub-committee of seven were appointed, with Roderick J. Kennedy as Chairman, charged with the duty of arranging all the details of transportation in connection with the pilgrimage. Correspondence with societies in various parts of the country has indicated that about 5,000 Irish-Americans will take part.

The project already has the sanction of many Catholic clergymen and it is likely that many clergymen will be among the pilgrims. It is proposed to charter two steamships for their accommodation. The itinerary of the voyage has been mapped out, and the landing passage has been begun. The ship will be given up to the pilgrims, and the main celebration will be held in Dublin, to coincide with the Dublin demonstration, which will include a great mass meeting, the loss of the 20,000 Irish soldiers who took lives in the battle of the Boyn, and the struggle of the men of 1798.

The Dublin committee, however, erect a monument to commemorate the heroes of the intervention, and the American committee has planned a handsome inn to help pay the monument. The American pilgrims will probably be divided into big delegations, representing the Home Rule sympathizers, the East, West and South. The graves of Wolfe, Tompkins, Emmet, and other Irish patriots form part of the itinerary of the pilgrimage. While the American pilgrims will all be going to the 98 association, the English pilgrims will not.

It is believed that the pilgrims will take part in the exercises in Dublin, and that the Irish committee will already have mapped out a program and that the reception of the returning pilgrims will be a convention of delegates from the 98 centennial committee, which was held recently in Dublin, at which much important business was transacted, and it is intended to participate in the exercises. Mr. John O'Leary, who has been elected to the chair, and who has a number of distinguished names in addition to this list.

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