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THRICE WELCOME O'ER THE WAVES.

BY BEE'S HART.

[A humble tribute to our distinguished visitor, the Most Rev. Dr. Clancy, a native of County Sligo, Ireland.]

I.
Thrice welcome, beloved Prelate! Thrice welcome o'er the waves
From the hallowed vales of Erin to the land where none are slaves
Our true Irish hearts with rapture go forth to welcome you
Coming with benisons laden from the old world to the new.

II.
O, gifted son of Erin! Scholar, orator, sublime
Through such as you our country was known in every clime
As "land of saints and scholars," then from the wide world o'er
Like bees in search of honey, youths came seeking our golden lore.

III.
Thy shady vales, Hibernia, were wonderously fair
As from monastic structures rose the chants of monks in prayer
Angels gazing from on high must think that God had given
His creatures in the sea girth isle a sweet forstaste of Heaven.

IV.
Like stars in the blue firmament these houses decked our isle,
And men in a living stream went forth from each secluded pile
With the tendrils from the seed set by Patrick in our sod
To the land of unbelievers, there to teach the word of God.

V.
Erin! Gone's your pristine glory, of heritage bereft
The despoiler's hand has left its trace in arson, murder, theft
The diadem from off your brow relentlessly they tore,
And with fetters bound your tender limbs 'till they were red with gore.

VI.
But the all-seeing eye above, who notes the sparrow's fall
Will raise our darling country yet from England's hateful thrall
'Tis the wish of exiled hearts when next your face we'll see,
May it be on holy Irish soil when Erin's isle is free.

[New York Sunday Democrat.]

AROUND THE GLOBE.

WHAT THE CHURCH IS DOING IN THIS AND OTHER CONTINENTS.

Many Items of General Interest That Will be Appreciated by Our Readers.

The first Bible ever printed in the English language was sold the other day in London for \$20,000. It was printed in 1450 by a Catholic for Catholics.

Archbishop Murphy of Hobart, Australia, was born on the day upon which the battle of Waterloo was fought. Next year he will celebrate the diamond jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood. He was consecrated bishop at the age of 31 years. He took charge of the Hobart diocese in 1866, and it is nearly a decade since, on the occasion of the golden jubilee of his priesthood, Dr. Murphy was promoted to the rank of an archbishop.

The Catholics of Augusta, Ga., have determined to erect a church in that city worthy of the enterprise and growth of that flourishing city. It is to be called the Church of the Sacred Heart, and already \$20,000 has been subscribed toward the erection of the building. Of this sum \$9,000 was subscribed by fifty-two persons.

The Church of the Immaculate Conception, Lowell, Mass., has just come into the possession of a beautifully executed copy of Murillo's celebrated painting of that name in the Louvre. The copy is the work of Henry O'Shea, of Limerick, Ireland. Mr. O'Shea had sent it thither to be disposed of, but the fathers were so impressed with its excellence that they decided to retain it for the church.

Twenty of its parishioners have presented to St. Patrick's Cathedral, New York, a holy water font. The font is said to be one of the finest of its kind, and was imported at a cost of \$6,000. It is made of white Carrara marble and will stand twelve feet high. It is Gothic in design.

Miss Mattie McQuade, one of the belles of the West Side, Cleveland, Ohio, has surprised her friends by entering the Ursuline Convent with the announced determination of becoming a nun. She took this course because her employer twice proposed to her, and she looked upon matrimony with horror.

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

THE INDIAN SCHOOLS INCREASING RAPIDLY.

What Our Holy Father is Doing For Catholic Spain

WASHINGTON, D. C.—During President Harrison's administration, there was at the head of the Indian Office a narrow-minded bigot named Morgan who commenced a fight upon the Catholic Indian Schools. It is not generally known, that the first school established among the Indians were by the Catholics and Moravians. The Catholics converted and educated more Indians in the Northwest than all the sects together. They had money and invested it in good buildings and in educating the young. This bigot thought it better that the young Indians should grow up ignorant savages, than Christianized men unless they could be Christianized in his Calvinistic ideas. The result was that he succeeded in partially stopping appropriations to the Catholic schools by the Government to aid in the education of the Nation's wards. The amount given by the Government to the Catholic Indian Schools was larger than any of the denominational schools, because the Catholic schools outnumbered all the others, and it was hoped that the withdrawal of this support would cripple or destroy the schools. It has had no such effect and the Indian schools are flourishing and increasing. The Church when it puts its hand to the plow, never withdraws it and the work ordered by the Divine Master, "Go ye unto all the world and preach the gospel," at the head of which Peter was placed, still goes on with renewed vigor amongst the Indians and with the promise of a great harvest in the future. There has been another educational work inaugurated at the Vatican which is opening the eyes of Europe. Spain, Catholic Spain, had fallen into decadence. Once the seat of learning and power where its great University at Salamanca sent forth thousands every year of the most learned men in Europe, Spain had sunk into ignorance and its power had gone. Drunk with the blood of conquest and inflated with stolen wealth, Spain fell. In this condition it was found by the present head of the Church. Torn into factions, misgoverned, poor, ignorant, even its clergy neglectful, Spain was but a shadow of what it was.

Then Leo interfered. His first work was of course with the bishops and other clergy. They were shown that their duty was to care for the spiritual welfare of the people and the education of the young, and not in the upholding of this or that pretender to the throne. The dead past to be left to bury the dead and the clergy were told to look to the living present and the expected future. Thus under the lead of the Vatican there has been evolved a new and brighter future for Spain. In accordance with the socialistic ideas of the Church a great Democratic party, distinctly constitutional has been formed in Spain. The leader of this movement is the Cardinal of Valencia, who has the same ideas that possess our own distinguished Cardinal Gibbons, and which were as well defined as the ideas of Leo XIII by Cardinal Satolli, when he represented the power of the church in America. It is an International Christian Democratic Party, that starting here under the leadership of Cardinal Gibbons, and eagerly accepted by the head of the church, has spread over France and Spain and is rejuvenating these countries. It is felt in Germany and Belgium, in England and in fact everywhere. But its effect has been greatest in Spain and it would have been greater but for the fact that neither Sagasta the Liberal nor Canovas the conservative leader could comprehend the significance and power of the movement. They did not seem to know that the greatest moral power in the world, the Roman church under Leo, one of its ablest leaders who has drawn about him the brightest minds in the church, has declared for social democracy, a democracy such as the Divine Master taught when founded the church. The skeptical and conservative Canovas, able as he undoubtedly was, could not see this, and fell by an assassin's knife. Sagasta, able and perhaps as sceptical as Canovas does not see this for seeing it, he would place himself at the head of the movement, would raise Spain from its degraded condition, the first step in which would be the giving of Cubans the same right to

govern themselves that Spaniards claim.

With a successor to Leo, for it is not possible that his frail body can last much longer, imbued with his ideas, able and fearless as he is, the next century will, in its early years, see democracy and Christianity (and I do mean sectarianism) twin sisters of Divine origin, ruling the world. The Divine right of Kings will have passed away and the Divine right of the people will be acknowledged. And the church has many men in the College of Cardinals who could take the place, who possess all the needed qualifications. Among them are Cardinals Rampolla, Satolli, Valencia, Gibbons, Agliardi, Ferratia, Jacobin, who in a short time will be seated in the great council of the church and be eligible to the succession.

Among the hundreds of educated and devoted laymen of Spain who follow the lead of Cardinal Valencia the bishop of Vich, the Capeda monks, one of the most learned bodies in the world, and above all of the Vatican there should one be found who has the ability, the courage, the patriotism, the Christianity, to take the lead and bring Catholic Spain once more into the prominence it held in past ages, as the great Christian democratic country of Europe.

Next week we will give our readers a history of the charities of the church in Washington and of the foundation and progress of some of its oldest churches.

New Church at Albion to be dedicated.

The dedication of the new St. Joseph's Roman Catholic church of Albion will take place on Sunday, September 20th, at 10.30 a. m. The service of dedication will be performed by the Rt. Rev. James E. Quigley, D. D., bishop of Buffalo; the sermon will be preached by the Rt. Rev. Bernard J. McQuaid, D. D., bishop of Rochester; and the Rev. John D. Biden, rector of St. Joseph's cathedral, Buffalo, will act as celebrant of the mass, assisted by a number of the clergymen of the diocese.

The society of St. Joseph's church was organized in 1833. The lot upon which the present church stands was purchased of Mrs. William P. L. Tafford about two years ago during the pastorate of the Rev. John D. Biden. In the latter part of June, 1896, the corner stone of the edifice was laid by Bishop McQuaid, and the building has been in use, at first in an unfinished condition, since Christmas of last year. The church is built of brown stone, in the form of a Roman cross, and has a seating capacity of 650. The total receipts for the building from loans, subscriptions and other services during the two years' incumbency of Father Biden, to whose efforts the parish is indebted for this beautiful church, were over \$46,000.

Funeral of James Barry.

The funeral of James C. Barry, was held Monday morning from Corpus Christi church on East Main street. Two hundred members of the Rochester council Knights of Columbus, of which the deceased had been a member since its institution attended in a body. Mr. Barry was a member of St. Mary's church, but on account of the funeral of Father Stewart being held at the latter place, it was impossible to hold the services there. Father Farron celebrated requiem high mass assisted by Rev. Andrew Smelz, deacon. Music was furnished by the choir of Corpus Christi. In the sanctuary were Revs. T. F. Hickey, D. J. Curran, M. Gommenginger and John J. Brophy, all members of the Knights of Columbus.

The latter organization met at its rooms in the East Side Savings Bank building at 8:15 o'clock and marched to the church where the members drew up in double column, each facing the center and the cortege passed between. The casket was carried by D. E. Murphy, James L. Whalen, Edward McSweeney, James Keough, Thomas W. Finucane and J. Henry Howe, the bearers, up the center aisle of the church to the catafalque in front of the sanctuary, where it reposed during the ceremonies.

Mr. Barry was one of Rochester's best known business men and his acquaintance went out over a large portion of the state. It was many years ago that he started in business in this city with but little else than pluck and perseverance. So well did he do his work that his success was substantial.

The body was escorted to the grave in Holy Sepulchre cemetery by the Knights of Columbus, and Branch No. 81, C. M. B. A.

FATHER STEWART.

[Written for the CATHOLIC JOURNAL.]

He hath loved us, man and priest—
—Triumph in the martyr's feast—
Sing we dirges low,
Place a laurel wreath of fame
Evermore above his name,
Immortal belts glow!
He hath blessed us, friend and priest;
Those were dear who seemed the least
To the proud world's heart.
Humbly in his place he rood,
Noble man and priest of God—
Sad with thee we part.
Slumber, brother, friend and priest,
Angels led you to God's feast—
Earth had none to give.
So our Father to Himself
Took you from life and health,
Eternally to live.
NELLIE McKENNA.
Rochester, Sept. 3d, '97.

LAI'D TO REST.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE REV. J. P. STEWART.

Impressive Services at St. Mary's Church.
—Eloquent Eulogy by Bishop McQuaid.

The funeral of Rev. John P. Stewart, who died at Carney Hospital, Boston, Friday, Sept. 3, was held from St. Mary's church at 10 o'clock Monday morning. Long before the hour set for the funeral people began to crowd into the church, and by 9:30 the main floor of the church, the aisles and galleries were packed, while thousands gathered round the entrance and lined the streets near the church.

After the high mass Sunday the remains were brought from the rectory and placed in front of the main altar. The body lay in state from that time until the services Monday morning. During the time the body lay in state thousands passed before the altar for a last look at him, who for years had been their pastor and friend. Not alone those of his own belief, but all creeds were represented, and there were but few who did not cherish the memory of some kindly word or deed of the dead priest. From the time that the remains were first placed before the altar until the close of the funeral services the coffin was surrounded by a guard composed of members of the congregation, who selected this method of paying a last tribute of respect to the departed priest.

The interior of the church was draped entirely in white and black. From the pillars and galleries hung neat folds of white and black bunting, while a great arch of black was erected at the entrance of the main aisle. At the special request of the dead pastor the decorations had been made as simple as possible lending an air of dignity and devotion to the scene which will be long remembered by the thousands who entered the church.

At 10 o'clock the bishop and the attendant priests and officers of the mass entered the sanctuary. Bishop McQuaid occupied the throne and near him were Bishop Quigley of Buffalo and Vicar General O'Loughlin of Philadelphia, while the sanctuary and pews directly in front of the altar were occupied by the priests of the diocese.

Directly in the rear of the priests were seated representatives of the Sisters of Mercy, Sisters of St. Joseph and Sisters of Charity.

Before the celebration of the solemn requiem mass the offices of the dead were chanted by the priests, led by Rev. Dr. Nolan of St. Bernard's Seminary, and Rev. Father Gaffell of the Cathedral. During the chanting the throng in the church sat with bowed heads, while scarcely a dry eye was to be seen throughout the church. At the conclusion of the office solemn requiem mass was celebrated by Rev. James F. O'Hare of the Immaculate Conception Church, assisted by Rev. John Gleason of Clyde as deacon and Rev. Felix O'Hanlon as sub-deacon. Mgr. De Regge, chancellor of the Rochester diocese, officiated as master of ceremonies. Prof. Eugene Bonn, director of the Cathedral choir, had charge of the music, which was unusually elaborate. Miss Julia Madden, organist of St. Mary's, presided at the organ.

At the close of the mass Bishop McQuaid delivered a panegyric upon the life of Father Stewart, in the course of his remarks saying:

"We have brought here the remains of your dead pastor to the scene of his labors, where he spent twenty-six years of his life. We are not here to honor his memory. There is no need of that, but to offer up prayer, supplications and the holy sacrifice of

mass, that in the judgment to which he has gone mercy and pardon and a welcome may there await him. He needs no funeral sermon. The priest that accomplished the work which remains here as the fruit of his long years of service needs no sermon.

"The sermon is here for every eye. It stretches along this avenue. It is here to remain, to remain even when the memory of the one who brought about so much will scarcely be known to after generations. What he did here he did before he came here. In the small village of Clyde he was full of energy. He brought that parish practically into existence and gave it a home. What he did in Clyde he brought here. And whatever he has done you know even better than I do. You know how he gave your children a school house fitting for their needs. You know how he gave a home to the Sisters of Mercy.

Here was the central figure of his work. Here he gathered about him the very hearts which now mourn his loss.

"His good work will go from generation to generation because the foundation he laid was broad and for the future. He had many difficulties to contend with. He had to infuse a new spirit into his parishioners before he could do what he has. That he loved the parish and all about it is only repeating what everyone knows. There could be no fault with it or in anyway connected with it.

"No matter what he thought it was well nigh heresy to insinuate that St. Mary's was not the best parish in the diocese. He may have exaggerated but it only showed how much his heart was in his parish and in his work. He was often misunderstood. Some of those who misunderstood him did it so often with the purest motives. He was so pure and open that it seemed impossible to misunderstand him.

"I do not wish to praise his life, but I wish that I was held at liberty to read some of his private instructions to me. To do so would touch you all. The burden of them were that his brother priests would remember him often in the sacrifice of the mass, and he made ample provision for the carrying out of his request. He wants those prayers just as we all do—bishop, priest and people.

"Only they who knew Father Stewart well and they who had an opportunity to read the soul of the man could appreciate the depth of faith of this dead priest. If I had desired to test his virtues I would bring before you the priests who served under him. They were with him under all circumstances; I never knew an instance where an assistant was more deeply in love with a pastor than the former assistants at St. Mary's. It is they whom he wished to say his personal mass. It is they whom he wished to carry his corpse to the cemetery. Never did I have a complaint from an assistant against the head pastor of St. Mary's.

"I cannot trust myself to say more. I will bring it all to a close by urging you not to forget the duty we owe our departed friend and pray for his soul. Let us hope that he has gone to eternal joy."

At the close of his address the bishop pronounced the last absolution in a voice broken with emotion, while from time to time a suppressed sob from those kneeling in the auditorium of the church lent additional solemnity and impressiveness to the ceremony.

The active bearers, Timothy Dempsey, Bernard Dunn, T. A. Smythe, Dr. Leonard J. Somers, Frank Telling and Michael Higgins, lifted the casket and filed slowly down the center aisle. Immediately following them came the honorary bearers, chosen from among the deceased's former assistants: Rev. John Gleason, Rev. Felix O'Hanlon, Rev. Michael Madden, Rev. Martin Cluney, Rev. Angelo Lagoro and Rev. Thos. Hendrick, the surviving relatives of Father Stewart, Jerome McCarthy of Holley and several nieces and nephews.

As the cortege passed down the aisle, Mrs. Kate O'Mahon, a lifelong friend of Father Stewart, sang: "It was almost noon when the funeral cortege, one of the largest which has ever been witnessed in this city, slowly made its way to Holy Sepulchre cemetery, where the interment took place in the plot near the chapel reserved for the priests of the diocese. Crowds lined the streets through which the procession moved and many were the expressions of sympathy and regret uttered as it passed. At St. Bernard's Seminary the faculty students joined the funeral procession and followed the body to the grave, where the final rites were celebrated.

Among the prominent men present at the ceremonies were Superintendent of Public Works, Geo. W. Aldridge, Justice William E. Warner, Hon. James M. E. O'Grady, Mayor Warner, ex-Mayor Merton S. Lewis, Thomas J. Neville, Aldermen M. J. Callahan and Stephen Rauber.

Rev. John P. Stewart was born in Ballymonea county, Ireland, in 1833. He came to this country at the age of 13 years and remained until his eighteenth year. From here he went to Beaumont, France, to pursue his collegiate course. His education for the priesthood was begun at Maynooth college where he studied about seven years, and was completed at the Lazarist Seminary of Our Lady of Angels at Suspension Bridge. He was ordained to the priesthood by the late Bishop Timon on Thanksgiving Day 1866, at St. Joseph's cathedral, Buffalo. The young priest was appointed assistant at St. Bridget's church, Buffalo, where he remained three months, afterwards he was appointed assistant to the late Rev. J. M. Early at St. Patrick's church in this city.

When the diocese of Rochester was created and Bishop McQuaid was sent here from New Jersey to take care of it, he sent Father Stewart to be rector of St. John's church, Clyde. He remained there for three years, during which time he made many improvements in the church and parochial property.

May 1, 1871, Father Stewart was appointed rector of St. Mary's in this city to succeed the late Rev. Dr. Barker.

Father Stewart's Will.

The will of the Rev. Father John P. Stewart was admitted to probate Wednesday morning in Surrogate Court and letters testamentary were issued to the Rev. James F. O'Hare, of this city, and the Rev. Felix O'Hanlon, of Union Springs, as joint executors.

The decedent left no real estate and but \$3307.22 in personal property. All of his estate is bequeathed to Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid, absolutely. The will was made April 3, 1896.

A short time prior to his death, Father Stewart transferred all his real property to Bishop McQuaid and to the Rochester Bivalent Industrial Scientific School of Sisters of Mercy. Bishop McQuaid was given two lots on Michigan street, two lots each on Thome street and Lexington avenue, and one lot on North street. The Rochester Bivalent Industrial Scientific School of Sisters of Mercy was given two lots on Thompson street.

Among the provisions made by the late Father Stewart, of St. Mary's parish, was one providing that \$1,000 be expended for high masses for himself throughout the diocese.

In accordance with this unusual provision, Very Rev. Jas. F. O'Hare, vicar general of the Rochester diocese, has distributed the \$1,000 by Father Stewart for the purpose among the priests of the diocese to defray the expense of masses in Holy Trinity and St. Mary's churches on Monday and Tuesday of next week in each parish. This provides for the celebration of mass 200 times during the two days.

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