

CITY PARISH NEWS.

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters.

ST BRIDGET'S

Rev. Father Bresnahan preached during the Forty Hours' Devotion at Pittsford and Fairport this week.

About seventy boys, pupils of the school, will take part in the parade on Decoration day. They are being thoroughly drilled by Messrs. Considine and Clancy.

The pupils of the school will render a fine operetta at the close of the term.

We were pleased to read Father Hendrick's refutation of Dr. McArthur's untrue remarks in the Democrat and Chronicle of Wednesday last.

The Pedro club "sixteen" will meet at the home of Miss Louise McKearney upon the evening of Decoration day.

Miss Kate Hendrick, sister of Father Hendrick, is spending a few days at the rectory before going to New York.

Beginning with Trinity Sunday the first mass will be at 6 o'clock instead of 7.30, as at present. The other masses will be as usual, at 9 and 10.30.

At the next meeting of Branch 27, L. C. B. A., a literary and musical programme will be rendered. All the members are requested to be present. It will be in honor of Father Hendrick's silver jubilee. The meeting will be held Friday, June 3d.

At a meeting of the Cardinal Newman Reading circle held last Monday evening the members presented their treasurer, Miss Nellie Clancy, with the new book, "Penelope's Progress," by Kate Douglas Wiggin, for her faithful services during the past year. The presentation was made by the president, Mrs. K. J. Dowling.

A month's mind requiem mass was celebrated Friday morning for the repose of the soul of Mrs. Margaret Carroll.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

The mission conducted by the Augustinian Fathers now in progress in the Immaculate Conception church bids fair to be a wonderful success. The church is crowded to the doors every evening with women attentively listening to the earnest eloquence of the preacher. Next week will be devoted to the men, to whom the example of the women ought to be an incentive.

An unusually large class, numbering 64 will graduate from the Immaculate Conception this year. An opera, to be presented June 30, is now being rehearsed by the graduates and alumni.

The following eight young ladies will graduate from the scientific course of Nazareth Academy in June: Misses Alice Sullivan, Elmira; Emma Staud, Mary Harrigan, Elizabeth Ford, Agnes Doyle, Marie Newell, Katherine O'Neal Rochester, and A. Leary, Phelps.

There was a meeting of the Father Meagher council at the school hall, Thursday evening.

ST. JOSEPH'S

William H. Heinlein, an officer of the Rochester police force, and Miss Carrie M. Sellinger, daughter of John and Mary Sellinger, were married at St. Joseph's church, Franklin street, at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. Rev. Father Obert performed the ceremony, and the wedding march was played by Professor Bauer. The ushers were associates of the groom, Officers Stephen Drexilius, William Saunders, William O'Connor, Eugene B. Sullivan, John Trent and Thomas Condon. The wedding supper was served at the residence of the bride's parents. Music was furnished by an excellent orchestra. After a brief wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Heinlein will reside at the 379 North St. Paul street.

ST. MICHAEL'S

The school children of St. Michael's church under the auspices of the sisters of the school gave two admirable and well attended entertainments Wednesday and Thursday evenings at Germania hall, the proceeds of which to go to the school fund of the parish. The new school is to be completed this summer, work to be begun next month, and it will cost from \$25,000 to \$30,000. Over one quarter of this amount has been raised. The entertainment opened with a march septette, which was rendered in an admirable manner by Misses M. Schmetzer, E. Walfer, M. Whitman, A. Oswald, A. Gund, mandolins; Miss L. Rodenbeck, guitar; Miss Ida Nickel, zither. Then followed the comedy in one act "Die Lebendige Bildsäule," which was well received and applauded. Miss D. Graule and M. Schmetzer sang a duet. Peter Reinschmidt, Clarence Frank, Frank Seiwid, Frank Hoefen, Julius Wegman, Wm. Bellman Leo Messmer and George Matern took part in a medley. The pupils produced the juvenile operetta "The Rebellion of the Daisies" in a very attractive manner.

Frank Wolf, an old and respected resident of this city died Monday morning at his home, 56 Saratoga street, aged 79 years. He is survived by five sons, Frank, George, Albert

Joseph and John Wolf, and three daughters, Mrs. John Walter, Mrs. Christ Kaspar and Miss Anna Wolf. The funeral took place from the house at 8.30 o'clock Wednesday morning and from the church at 9 o'clock.

The young men of St. Michael's church have organized a club to be known as the Catholic Young Men's Club. There are seventy-five charter members of the club. The object of the club is to promote the religious, social and physical welfare of its members. The spiritual adviser of the club is Rev. Father Hargather. The club intends fitting up a gymnasium, building a bowling alley and buying billiard tables. The following officers were elected: President, Charles Scheureman; vice-president, John Schuesberger; recording secretary, Frank J. Koch; financial secretary, Joseph Oswald; treasurer, John J. Klingler. The club meets twice a month.

Robert Hill, son of ex-Supervisor Richard Hill of Irondequoit and Miss Margaret Thein, daughter of Michael Thein of 527 North Clinton street, were married in this church Thursday, May 10th, at 10 o'clock. Rev. Father Hargather was celebrant, assisted by Rev. Fathers Netzel and Schellhorn. The bride was attended by Misses Catherine Thein and Florence Hill, while the groomsmen were Henry Hill and George Roth. The bride is a member of the choir and also of the L. C. B. A., and an estimable young lady. The groom is also well known. The choir was present at the mass and some choice music was rendered. After the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, many guests being present from out of town, and the large number of presents received by the young couple attest the esteem in which they are held by their many friends. They will reside in Irondequoit.

CATHEDRAL

The funeral of John Hoctor took place Wednesday morning at his residence, 114 Frank street, at 8.30 o'clock, and at the Cathedral at 9 o'clock. The death of Mr. Hoctor, who was an old and esteemed resident of the city, occurred on Sunday after an extended illness. He was born in Tipperary county, Ireland, 62 years ago and had resided in Rochester for over fifty years. He is survived by his wife and four children, John C., Joseph J., and Mary A. Hoctor, of Rochester, and W. T. Hoctor, of Whiting, Ind. The services in the morning were attended by a large number of friends of the deceased. Requiem mass was sung by Rev. A. A. Hughes. The bearers were: Richard Whalen, Edward Fox, F. P. Michaels, Dennis Murphy, James Shaw and Thomas Murray.

The solemn feast of Pentecost Sunday will be celebrated at the Cathedral Sunday. Bishop McQuaid will celebrate pontifical mass at 10.30 a. m. The choir of St. Bernard's and St. Andrew's Seminaries will furnish music. May devotions will close on Sunday with a reception to the Children of Mary and Young Ladies' Society; a sermon and the benediction of the blessed sacrament.

A large audience was present at the private studio of Professor Eugene Bonn Wednesday evening to enjoy his second musicale of the season. The recital was a great success. Following are the names of those taking part: Misses Katherine C. Scholand, Marion McMorow, Ruth A. Porter, D. E. Streb, Katherine F. Riley, Mary Carey; Messrs. F. S. Scholand, William J. Pike. Professor Bonn assisted in the entertainment.

The last regular meeting of the R. C. B. C. for the season was held at their rooms on Tuesday evening. The lecturer of the evening was Rev. J. J. Hartley of St. Bernard's Seminary. He spoke of "Dr. A. Brownson and his Works." The lecture was followed by a short address on the Summer School by James Connolly.

Present indications are that a large number of Rochesterians will attend the coming session of the Summer School. Two parties are already being formed. One will start on July 9th, and the other on July 26th.

CORPUS CHRISTI

The Forty Hours' devotions opened in Corpus Christi church last Sunday with a solemn high mass. The celebrant of the mass was Rev. Ludlow A. Lampham of St. Bernard's Seminary; Rev. Dr. McGuire was deacon, and Rev. B. Gommenginger, sub-deacon; Father Leary was master of ceremonies. In the evening solemn vespers were sung. The sermon was preached by Rev. Dr. Nolan. The subject of his discourse was "The Divinity of Jesus Christ." All were pleased with his beautiful sermon.

Rev. Father Ryan of the cathedral preached a fine sermon Tuesday evening on "The wages of sin is death." The Forty Hours closed Wednesday morning. Rev. Father Payne was celebrant of the mass and Rev. Fathers Leary and Quinn deacon and sub-deacon respectively. The devotion was well attended and a large number received the sacraments.

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CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

What is Transpiring in the Different Fraternities—Current Calendar.

PICKINGS FOR THE GOOD OF THE C. M. B. A.

BY J. J. H. B. S.

CHAPTER III, SERIES III.

Keep the standard of your selection of good physical risks high. It is vitally important to every member of our association. It insures stability; it prevents high death rates and an excessive number of assessments. Every effort made to insure care and honest results in the admission of good risks means confidence in the C. M. B. A. and justice to all its members. This is a question in which every member should have a selfish motive as well as an unselfish one. If you, as an individual member, will do your part and attend to your annual meeting and help to elect a competent, honest man for physician, you are helping to keep down the death rate and to make your own assessments fewer in number. Let no member seek to railroad an applicant through by a dishonest examination, forgetting one of the vital principles underlying the branch to which you belong—doing an injury to your Brothers and an injustice to yourself and family. Also here is another point I cannot help but to say a few words about, and that is, too many persons have joined the C. M. B. A. because being actuated by a desire to procure the greatest amount of insurance at the least possible cost, they are seldom, some of them never, seen in a branch meeting after the night of their initiation. They pay their assessments, not gladly, remembering that "it is more blessed to give than receive," but simply because failure means forfeiture. They congratulate themselves upon their whole duty being done when the financial secretary gives them a receipt for payment of dues and assessments, which money he mostly earned by persistent effort to procure it.

But are we wholly blameless? Does no responsibility attach to us for failure to impress upon the candidate that our noble association is not only an insurance company but that it is also a fraternal organization. We must impress that upon the minds of our new members, and not waste time in dreaming, and then waste more time wondering why our dreams don't come true. Make your meeting a pleasure—so much so that the members will be anxious to attend. Crush and do not tolerate only that which is harmonious and pleasant to all concerned.

[To be continued.]

Hibernian Rifles.

A general house cleaning was the order of things at headquarters on our last meeting night. The company did not drill, but instead turned in and gave a general cleaning to their equipments and the armory in general. It was the captain's wish that everything should be in good shape, and those present went at it with a will that made things hum and put the arms in such good shape that on other evenings the whole armory will be in a good condition for the summer. After a general oiling of the rifles they will be in good condition, as it will not be necessary for them to have another cleaning during the summer months. There is one fault to be found with the boys; they are too ready to lend their arms and belts to parties who neglect to return them in good and clean order. It is a credit to a majority of them to look at the rifle rack and see how clean the guns and belts are, and it must be provoking for a man who takes pride in keeping his outfit in good shape to have it returned to him from another organization in a rusty, dilapidated condition. It should be made a rule henceforth that if an organization borrows it must return things in good shape and all together, and the party borrowing organically or individually should be given to understand this when accommodated with any part of the soldier's property, and in the end it would be more satisfactory to both parties. Boys, hope you will take a tumble to this hereafter, as it will save you a lot of trouble and unnecessary cleaning. For the first time in 16 years and over the boys will not parade on Memorial day, it being the desire of a majority that if they were not assigned a place satisfactory to them to go out of town, after having the pleasure, for once, of viewing the parade as any other citizen and not tramping in line; and another reason is that most of the members will work during the forenoon; and still another is, from the number of engagements and invitations ahead it was thought advisable to take a day off and enjoy the fun and the cool lake air, so to speak, for once in a lifetime, as for the last 25 years the captain has had his boys out when every parade of the G. A. R. came along, he himself being a veteran. It is without doubt a day in a lifetime—a day that they will observe in a quiet way, and remember that:

Great were the men and strong the minds
Of those who framed in high debate
The immortal league of love that binds
Our fair, broad Empire State with state;

and though the boys will not be in line they will add their might to see that the graves of the heroes of the conflict of '61 are kept green.

THE HUSTLER OF BRANCH 81.

[For the CATHOLIC JOURNAL.]

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And always takes it resigned.

Some day these kickers and scoffers,
When their time on earth has matured,
And their dependents with poverty struggle,
Oh, how they'll wish they had been insured.

And while they may be with the angels,
(Or perhaps mopping their face) they say,
"Oh, why did I frown at Bayer,
The hustler of the C. M. B. A.?"

And when for the hustler of Branch 81
Those gates of Heaven shall swing wide,
St. Peter will say: "Charley, step this way,
Your crown is waiting inside."

He will get one of the best seats in Heaven
As a reward for his work here on earth—
There's nothing too good for the hustler,
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BRANCH 81.

Council 25, C. R. & B. A., are to give one of their popular euchre parties June 6. After the winners are awarded their prizes refreshments will be served by the ladies. All sister councils and their friends are invited to attend, and an enjoyable time is promised, as it is a pleasant way to spend an evening, and has the effect of increasing the attendance as well as the membership.

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