

CITY PARISH NEWS.

Interesting Budget of Happenings Gathered by Our City Reporters

ST BRIGID'S

Rev. Richard Burke of Buffalo, was the guest of Father Hendrick last week.

Bishop Haid of Belmont, N. C., is the guest of Father Hendrick. He will preach at the high mass Sunday.

Misses Alice, Margaret and Blanche Drury, their cousin Winnie Drury of Bergen, Miss Irene Riley, Mrs. M. Gannon and daughter Maria, left on Thursday last for Atlantic City.

Misses Mamie Byrne of Victor, is the guest of Mrs. D. McCarthy of North St. Paul street.

Brother Anthony of Buffalo, paid a brief visit to Father Hendrick, recently.

Master Fred Love of Marietta street, has gone to Elmira to visit his aunt, Mrs. Skinner.

Miss Annie Owens of Hudson ave., and her niece May and Blanche Hoffman are spending two weeks at Ontario Beach.

Mrs. S. Preston has been spending a few days at Bergen.

Miss Margaret Rauber of Gorham street, has returned from a visit to Cayuga.

Misses Horgan, McKearney, Howe, Fitzgerald and Quinn have returned from Cliff Haven. They spent two weeks at the Summer School.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock, a mass was sung at this church for Mrs. Yawman.

A mass was sung for William Furlong Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock.

Mass was sung for the repose of the soul of Dr. O'Hare, Friday at 7 o'clock, offering of the graduating class of '85; Thursday at 7 o'clock, offering of the L. C. B. A.; Friday at 7 o'clock, offering of Literary Circle; Friday at 8 o'clock, offering of altar boys; Saturday at 7 o'clock, offering of class '96.

Miss Marie O'Hare of Tremont Place has returned from the Thousand Islands.

Among the many Rochesterians registered at Long Point Hotel, Conesus Lake are the Misses Dowling, Misses Carey, Misses Meagher, Miss Nellie O'Connor and Mrs. Lillian Gragen.

Messrs. John Carey and George White have returned from Canandaigua lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Dempsey and daughter May, of Rowley street are at the "Cameron Cottage" Conesus Lake.

Misses Katherine and Margaret McNulty are visiting friends at London, Canada.

Miss Anna Brennan, of Tremont street, is spending a few days at the Thousand Islands.

Mr. James O'Kane of Edinburg street, has returned from Oak Orchard.

The funeral of Private George H. Mills of Company H, Third Regiment N. Y. V., was held Saturday morning from the Immaculate Conception church. Father Gommenginger celebrated the solemn requiem mass. Comrades of the deceased acted as bearers. The deceased fell sick on the march from Camp Alger and as soon as the symptoms of fever were discovered he was sent to Fort Meyer, where he died after an illness of scarcely a week's duration. He is survived by his parents, seven brothers and four sisters, Mary, Florence, Lillian and Helen Mills, besides a large number of friends who deeply mourn his loss.

CORPUS CHRISTI.

The third annual outing of Branch 139, C. M. B. A., of Corpus Christi parish was held at the Newport House on Wednesday Aug. 17 and despite the gloomy outlook of the early morning a large number of the members and their friends boarded Glen Haven cars and via boat to the Newport House.

The first number of the programme was a game of ball between nines captained by Bros. J. J. Cleary and D. J. Kenny. The game was well played and afforded great pleasure for the large and enthusiastic audience. Both sides were applauded by their friends as the many brilliant plays were made. The game was hotly contested for five innings when it was called on account of the rain, score 5 to 5. Owing to the condition of the weather it was impossible to continue the outdoor sports. One of the pleasant features of the ball game was umpiring of Brother Frank C. Ward whose decisions on close plays was given quickly and avoided the usual kicking. The music attracted all to the dancing hall where the evening was most enjoyably spent until 9.30 when "Home Sweet Home" was played and the annual event of Branch 139 was over. The committee, J. J. Cleary, D. J. Kenny, E. Poinan, W. Snell, H. B. Reynolds, A. J. Young, H. Hebing, Jr., Fred Tyler, G. M. Lagler and George Poinan deserve

great credit for the manner they conducted the events of the day and the success of the picnic is due to the preparations made by the committee.

Misses Kane and Murphy both of Auburn, are the guests of Mrs. A. J. Legler and were among the out-of-town guests at the picnic of Branch 139, C. M. B. A., at Newport, Wednesday, Aug. 17th.

The lawn fete which was held for the benefit of Corpus Christi church on Aug. 9, 10 and 11, was a great success. Every one interested themselves in making it not only a success financially but also made it one of the most enjoyable events ever held on the grounds. Great interest was displayed by those interested in the various contests, and a handsome sum was realized.

ST. BONIFACE

Rev. F. R. Rauber, rector of St. Boniface church was thrown out of a buggy Sunday afternoon on South avenue near Oakland street and sustained several painful bruises. Father Rauber had been attending a sick call and was returning home when one of the wheels came off and threw Father Rauber out on the pavement. He was taken home and will be confined to the house for some time.

New steps and a new approach to St. Boniface church are being constructed. The steps are sixty feet in length.

The members of the parish of St. Boniface are much interested in securing a clock for the tower of the church. A collection is being made for the purpose of purchasing and locating such a clock and a large sum has been raised.

The Forty Hours are announced to be held in September.

HOLY APSTLES

The lawn fete of Holy Apostles church was well patronized this week and a neat sum will be realized.

FATHER O'HARE'S SUCCESSOR

Rev. A. M. O'Neill of Phelps Appointed Pastor of the Immaculate Conception Church.

Rev. Augustine M. O'Neill, now pastor of St. Francis church at Phelps, N. Y., will succeed the late Rev. James F. O'Hare as pastor of the Immaculate Conception church. The new pastor, although one of the youngest priests in the diocese, is recognized as one of the most successful. He was born in Auburn about forty years ago, educated in the Auburn high school, St. Andrews' preparatory seminary and the old archdiocesan seminary at Troy, spending a full course also at Our Lady of Angels college at Niagara Falls.

Father O'Neill was ordained at St. Patrick's cathedral, this city, fourteen years ago, together with Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, now rector of the cathedral, and Rev. D. W. Kavanaugh, rector of St. Michael's church at Lyons. He was for a time professor at St. Andrew's seminary, served as assistant at the cathedral, and later on was appointed pastor of the Church of the Assumption of the B. V. M. at Scottsville. His success here was very marked, and his friends in Scottsville soon became legion. Eight years ago he went to Denver for his health, returning after two years to take charge of the church at Phelps.

Father Thomas A. Hendrick at that time was transferred to St. Bridget's church and Rev. John J. Nelligan was sent to succeed him as pastor of the parish at Union Springs. Father O'Neill was made Father Nelligan's successor at Phelps. The parish is a small one, but Father O'Neill labored zealously in the cause of the church, and Bishop McQuaid has now rewarded his fidelity and loyalty by making him pastor of one of the largest parishes in Rochester. His successor at Phelps has not yet been named.

Father O'Neill is known as a pulpit orator of great ability, and ranks high as a theologian, and there is no doubt expressed that he will prove a worthy successor to the lamented Father O'Hare. It is not expected that there will be any change in the assistants at Immaculate Conception, and that Revs. William Gleason and B. W. Gommenginger will continue to fill their positions.

PERSONALS:

Misses Nellie O'Connell and Julia M. Brick have gone to Watkins Glen to spend a week.

Miss M. and C. Carey of Hamilton Place, are spending their vacation at Conesus lake.

John Carey and George White have returned from ten day's outing at Seneca Point, Canandaigua lake.

Miss Daisy Connolly has returned home from Gabriels after a stay of five weeks.

Miss Anna T. Carey is spending her vacation at Port Byron and Cazenovia.

James C. Connolly is spending his vacation at the Catholic Summer School.

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At a special meeting of the Columbian Reading Circle the following minute was adopted:

Never before, in our six years' existence, has the Columbian Reading Circle met to perform so sad a duty as on the present occasion, when we are called upon to place on record a last tribute to our dearly beloved pastor, the Very Reverend Father O'Hare, who has gone from us forever.

Early on the morning of the First Friday of August he was called to spend that favorite feast day in heaven; called to a realization of the promises made to those who honor the Sacred Heart on earth.

But we, who are left to mourn a pastor who was a true and faithful shepherd to his flock, a kind and loving father to his spiritual children, a wise and prudent counsellor, we can only bow in submission to the God, who "hath done all things well." And we can pray for him, even though we feel that we, the children still in exile, have greater need of his prayers than has he for ours.

It remains for us, then, to endeavor to live up to the high ideals he has so constantly held before us, and to try to imitate his saintly example, trusting that some day we all may meet in the eternity of joy.

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DEADLIEST OF GUNS.

CONTINENTAL ARMIES NOW ARMED WITH THE LATEST MANKILLERS.

Emperor William Caused a Great Sensation When He Announced How His Army Had Been Secretly Equipped With a Remarkable Firearm.

Some little time ago—we think in July, 1897—the German Emperor invited the military attaches to breakfast, and after the repast told them it was no use keeping it a secret any longer, but the German army had had its artillery changed without anything being known about it. No fewer than five army corps had up till then been armed with the new gun, a quick-firing weapon made by Krupp, and by the middle of the present year all the field guns will have been replaced by quick-firing guns capable of throwing ten to twelve shells a minute to as great a distance as the field guns and with higher destructive power in their shells. How well the secret was kept may be understood from the fact that Krupp employs 16,000 workmen and that several powers try to spend large sums in Germany to obtain military and naval intelligence.

Upon the kaiser's revelation, the French military attaché at once took train for Paris, and found his government not unprepared to deal promptly with the question. In fact, a model had been determined upon some time before, and orders were immediately placed, not only with the government factories, but with a number of private firms. Only the question of cost had prevented the French war office from being beforehand with the Germans, and the reason for this hesitation will be grasped when it is stated that the extra expenditure involved within a very brief period exceeds ten millions sterling. The secret has been kept by the French nearly as well as the Germans kept theirs, but it is now known to several European governments.

The weapon now in course of rapid manufacture is a quick-firing gun, capable of firing at least ten shots a minute. It has a calibre of seventy-five millimetres (3 in.) the calibre of the French field guns being 90 mm. (3 5/8 in.), and of the horse artillery gun 80 mm. The weapon is very similar to the latest pattern of the Nordenfolt cannon. Its weight, fitted with automatic hydraulic or glycerine brakes to check recoil, and with steel shields to reduce the risk from infantry fire, is somewhat greater than that of the 90 mm. field gun, but the range and the bursting power of the shell are greater. The shell is fitted with a very perfect percussion fuse, the accuracy of which has been tested in the most thorough fashion.

As many as 5,000 of these quick-firing guns for the French artillery are being provided at a cost, including 1,000 rounds of ammunition for each, of \$2,000 per gun. Up till January 1 this year 800 guns were completed, with their due proportion of projectiles. There will be enough guns in being before the end of the current year to arm all the "corps" artillery, and the whole of the artillery will be rearmed before the end of 1899.

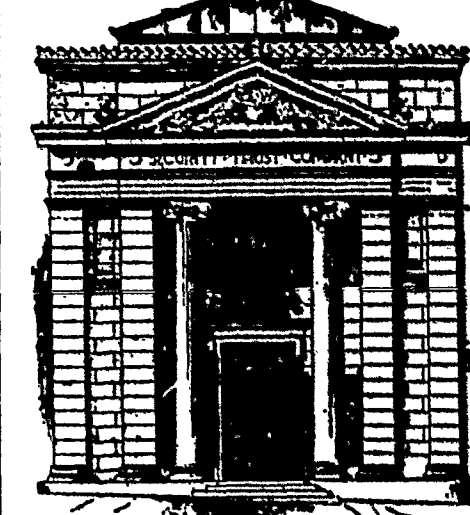
The French have satisfied themselves that, for effect, two of these guns are equal to a whole six-gun battery of field guns, with a margin to spare. Nevertheless, the superior council of war has decided that each battery shall, as heretofore, consist of six pieces. Thus the effective power of the French artillery will be at least tripled by the adoption of the quick-firing guns. In view of this decision it has been resolved that each gun shall have not one, but two ammunition wagons, which will not remain in the rear, as in the case of the field batteries, but will come up with the guns into action. This involves the increase of thirty-six horses for each battery.

It must be remembered, first, that the problem of supplying ammunition to the field is made immensely more difficult by this new departure; and, secondly, that neither France nor Germany has adopted machine-guns as we have done. These two facts, other than the change from field guns to quick-firing guns.



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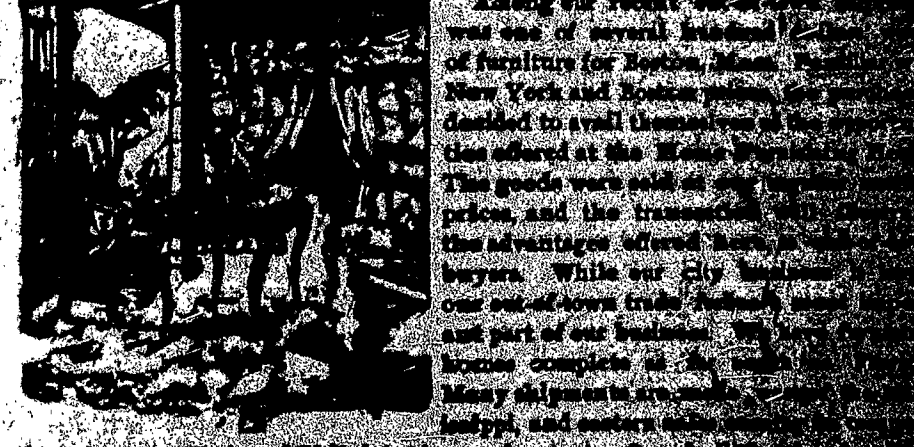
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