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RAFFLES FOR SOULS

A St. Louis Methodist paper, the Advocate, published a few weeks ago a letter from a preacher by the name of Barton, who asserted that he saw on the door of a church a placard announcing a raffle which guaranteed to the winners the release from Purgatory of any soul whom they choose to designate.

Father J. M. Lucey of Pine Bluff, Ark., sent a paper containing the letter to the Bishop of Puebla. He received the following letter in reply:

"PUEBLA, Mexico, Aug. 5, 1898.
"Rev. J. M. Lucey, Pine Bluff, Ark.

"Rev. and Dear Father: Yours of recent date directed to the Right Rev. Bishop of this city, has been referred to me for reply, and in answer to same I would say: It is a lie from beginning to end, and there is not the least foundation to warrant such a statement. Here we do not know anything about Mr. Barton's utterances—as a rule; all statements made by American missionaries in regard to the Catholic church in Mexico are nothing but lies made out of the whole cloth. They report things which they know to be utterly false, such as their report about making proselytes in this country. Their work here does not amount to anything, and the number of their proselytes is proportioned to the size of their purse. They report a few slanders about Catholic practices and have it published abroad and that helps the money to come in. It is of no concern to those that thus slander the church how the money comes, provided it does come and help them to buy a few more coffee and vanilla lands. The spiritual part comes in as an after thought. They never specify where they saw the horrid things. This is related, as is the case with the present utterance. He only states that he saw it, but where or when he does not know. I would not be surprised that he had it printed himself and posted it there personally, as he is the only man that has seen it. Dear father, you have not an idea of the audacity of those bigoted Protestant missionaries that come here. They will do anything to get the almighty dollar. Of course, all their talkings and writings are to be published abroad, where nobody from here will know anything about them. Such is their way of doing and their Christian charity.

"Hoping this will be satisfactory, I am, yours very respectfully,
"SENOR PRESBITERO DON.

"JOSE GOURCY, Fuente de Belen, 9 Puebla, Mexico."

In commenting on the above the Cincinnati Catholic Telegraph says: "If there was an active Catholic press association in existence, our papers could effectively nail all lies of unscrupulous missionaries in the business of manufacturing calumnies for the delectation of the dupes who pay their salaries."

That there is room for a Catholic Press Association goes without saying. But either through carelessness or indifference the editors of our Catholic weekly papers do not seem to care whether they have a press association or not.

Our soldier boys received a right royal welcome.

The notorious Margaret Shepherd is heard from again, this time in San Francisco. How any self-respecting person can listen to her tirade of abuse of those devoted sisters who are now nursing our soldiers who are fever stricken, back to health, is more than we can understand.

The Protestant press seem to bother themselves a great deal about the proposed sending of missionaries to the islands that were taken from Spain by the United States. The inhabisants of these islands are already Christianized, and they will find the task to convert them a hard one.

Notice to foreign powers: The battle ships Iowa and Oregon are to reinforce Dewey at Manilla.

Teddy Roosevelt should be saved from his friends. He is a man among men and entitled to some consideration, even from politicians.

Shafter's report of the Santiago campaign slights Miles.

ANOTHER HUMBUG.

A Matter Which May Interest Some Rochesterians

The Irish Ecclesiastical Record warns its readers against a leaflet that has been circulated throughout some parishes of Ireland, purporting to be a devotion in honor of the wounded shoulder of our Lord, caused by the carrying of His cross. The leaflet was circulated by a priest, and it states that Pope Eugenius III. at St. Bernard's request, granted an indulgence of 3,000 years to those who would recite certain prayers in honor of the wound. The Ecclesiastical Record points out that the pretense is a humbug, as in St. Bernard's time indulgences were never granted for a longer period than three or five years, and, further, in 1673, the Holy See issued a catalogue of spurious indulgences in which it was expressly stated that this one, said to have been granted in honor of the wounded shoulder is apocryphal. It is possible, and even probable, that the priest who circulated the leaflet honestly thought the indulgence genuine, but all, whether priests or laymen, who endeavor to promote extraordinary devotion should be sure that they are approved before doing so. There is another bogus leaflet which has been sometimes found in this country. It professes to give a prayer which was found on the Lord's tomb. These spurious papers are fitted only to be burned

The Syracuse Sun says that many devout people in that city have had this prayer printed and circulated chiefly on the strength of the alleged indulgence. It may interest them to know that it is a humbug.

The fiftieth anniversary of the Sister Superior Marie de la Croix was lately celebrated in the prison at Antwerp. Every member of the administrative force was present, as well as all the prisoners. M. le procureur du roi, in his address, complimented the Sister on her half century of devoted and unwearying service. "In your difficult and ungrateful mission," he said, "you have never allowed yourself to be dejected for a moment, bringing to your work the most perfect tact, charity and love of God and your fellow-men. On your breast shines the cross of the Order of Leopold, the civic cross, the gold medal. The government can do no more for you. But I realize that no earthly reward can affect an angel of goodness like you. It is from your conscience and your faith that you derive your admirable unselfishness and abnegation."

THE BISHOP'S PICTURE.

Every Catholic Family in the Diocese Should Have One.

As this year marks the fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of Rt. Rev. Bishop McQuaid as a priest and his thirtieth as a bishop, every Catholic family in the diocese should be in possession of ourbeautiful large photograph (not lithograph), 11x14 inches of the Rt. Rev. Bishop. The picture will be given to every subscriber of THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL, who, until further notice pays a full year's subscription for 1898 in advance, and send us fifty cents extra to cover part of the cost of framing. The photograph is a reproduction of the picture of the Bishop which hangs in St. Bernard's Seminary and is certainly a work of art. It was made by Mr. E. E. Nier, the celebrated artist of Powers Block. The photograph will be handsomely framed with an elegant gold bordered white frame, glass and back. Those who have received the premium are more than satisfied, and say that they do not see how we can give so much for so little money. Now is the time to send in your orders.

THE GOSPELS

GOSPEL: St. Luke xiv. 1-11.—At that time: "When Jesus went into the house of one of the chief of the Pharisees, on the Sabbath day, to eat bread, they watched Him. And behold there was a certain man before Him that had the dropsy. And Jesus answering, spoke to the lawyers and Pharisees, saying: "Is it lawful to heal on the Sabbath day? But they held their peace. But He, taking him, healed him, and sent him away. And answering them, He said: Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fall into a pit and will not immediately draw him out on the Sabbath day? And they could not answer Him to these things. And He spoke a parable also to them that were invited, marking how they chose the first seats at the table saying to them: When thou art invited to a wedding, sit not down in the first place, lest perhaps one more honorable than thou be invited by him: and he that invited thee and him come and say to thee: Give this man place; and then thou begin with shame to take the lowest place. But when thou art invited, go, sit down in the lowest place that when he who invited thee cometh he may say to thee Friend, go up higher. Then shalt thou have glory before them that sit at table with thee Because every one that exalteth himself shall be humbled and he that humbleth himself shall be exalted."

What did Christ mean by this counsel?

He wished to correct those proud men, by making them understand how improper their ambitious behavior was in selecting the best places; at the same time he taught all future Christians to close their eyes to their own merits, not to exact attentions, and to believe themselves inferior to others, by always with sincerity of heart choosing the last place for themselves.

Weekly Church Calendar

Sunday, September 18—Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost Seven Dolors of the B V. M. St Joseph of Cupertino confessor. Less. Judith xiii 22-25 Gosp. John xix. 25-27. Last Gosp Luke xiv 1-11.
Monday, 19—SS. Januarius and companions, martyrs.
Tuesday, 20—SS Eustace and companions, martyrs. Vigil of St Matthew.
Wednesday, 21—St. Matthew apostle. Ember day. Fast
Thursday, 22—St. Thomas of Villanova Bishop and confessor. SS Maurice and companions, martyrs
Friday, 23—St Linus, Pope and martyr St Thecla, virgin and martyr. Ember day Fast.
Saturday, 24—Our Lady of Ransom Ember day. Fast

FORTY HOURS' ADORATION.

September 18—Holy Redeemer, Rochester; Scipio, Rexville.
September 25—St. Michael's, Rochester; Our Mother of Sorrows, Lady Hill; Cohocton.

Help Promptly Given.

"I was weak and all run down, although I did not have any special disease. Soon after I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla I found it was helping me, and after taking a few bottles I was quite strong. I recommend this medicine to others afflicted as I was." Mrs. Louisa Spencer, Acra, N. Y.

Going West?

Why not go via the Nickel Plate road? Many improvements have been made in the last few years and its service is now second to none. Three fast through express trains are running every day in the year between Buffalo and Chicago, while solid through trains of baggage cars, elegant day coaches and vestibuled buffet sleeping cars are run between New York and Chicago via the West Shore road. Remember that rates via the Nickel Plate road are lower than via other lines.

For information, call on any ticket agent of the West Shore road, or address F. J. Moore, General Agent Nickel Plate road, 291 Main street, Buffalo, N. Y. sp17-80

Seneca Falls.

Miss Rose Murphy of this place has returned home after spending a few weeks with friends in Rochester.

Miss Frances Murphy of this village has returned to Rochester after spending her vacation with her parents on Bridge street.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed Deafness is the result, and unless this inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

Now is the time to order your coal for next winter. If you wish to get the best, place your order with John M. Reddington, 99 West Main street.

CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

What is Transpiring in the Different Fraternities—Current Calendars

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

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ASLEEP.

If brothers fail to see items relating to the C. M. B. A. in the CATHOLIC JOURNAL they should not commence to abuse the much traduced editor, who certainly cannot be expected to know everything. When an event of interest transpires drop him a line; it will only cost you a penny or two, and every member of the C. M. B. A. will be interested. It is the opinion of the greater part of the members that the C. M. B. A. should receive more recognition by the Catholic press. Now, brothers, if one member of each branch, or rather your secretary, would take a little time and write up a few notes and send them to the CATHOLIC JOURNAL for publication, which will be cheerfully accepted and set up in good form, it would surely be the means of spreading and beautifying our noble association. Rochester is the only large city that has fell behind in neglecting to furnish interesting items which would be appreciated by the members of the C. M. B. A. to the press.

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Knights of Columbus

Neat date cards announcing the meeting nights of Rochester council have been sent to each member.

Regular meetings will be held on the first and third Wednesday of each month, commencing Sept. 7th. The first and second degrees will be given at these meetings.

The Supreme Council of the C. R. & B. A. held their convention at Utica, this week. These officers were elected President, T. H. O'Neill, first vice president, P. J. Treacy, Syracuse; second vice president, Miss Lizzie Davis, Binghamton, supreme recorder, Wm R. Miller, Syracuse; treasurer J. L. McGarr, Auburn; marshall, J. E. Mackin, Seneca Falls; guard, J. F. McNerney; medical examiner, Dr F. W. Maloney, trustees, Honora McCarthy O'Neill; J. P. Henry, Rochester; Thomas Gilmore; committee on law, Jas. Wood, Cincinnati, Nicholas Reding, Attica; Wm. E. Taffe, Albany, committee on supplies, Mrs M. A. Fitzpatrick, Auburn; financial committe, Mrs. C. M. Hubbard, Miss Ford, Mr. Nash.

At a regular meeting of Branch 131, C. M. B. A. held on September 14th, 1898 the following resolutions were adopted upon the death of Joseph F Boehly

Whereas For the fifth time in the history of Branch 131 of the C. M. B. A., death has laid his cold and icy hand upon our Brother member, Joseph F Boehly, and has taken away from our midst one who in the very prime of manhood has endeared himself to us all by his having all the qualities that go to make the good citizen, husband and father, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Branch has indeed sustained a great loss in Brother Boehly's sudden death, and it would like to place upon record the fact that he has at all times taken a great interest in all that has transpired in this Branch up to the time of his death, and also in the church in which he was so long an honored member and staunch supporter, and be it still further

Resolved, That by his untimely death the widow and children of our deceased brother have the entire sympathy of this Branch in this their hour of misfortune, and as a mark of esteem to his memory our charter be draped in mourning for the usual time, and that these resolutions be published in the CATHOLIC JOURNAL; also that they be entered upon a separate page of our journal, and a copy of the same be sent to the family of the deceased.

Andrew Lambert, Albert Christ, Anthony A. Strauss, committee on resolutions.

AMUSEMENTS.

COOK'S.

For the week beginning Monday, Sept. 19th, the Cook Opera House offers another exceptionally strong list of high class vaudeville in connection with the Biograph and special new pictures, of which the following is a partial list: Lieut. H P. Hobson, the hero of the Merrimac; 9th Infantry, U. S. A., at Madison barracks at Sacket's Harbor; Parade of the New York Police; Front Fishing; The Old Maid in the Photograph Gallery; the Baby and its two friends, a dog and a cat, besides many others. For the vaudeville artists there is Solari, the sensational dancer; Waterbury Bros. and Tenny, music and comedy; Geo. C. Davis, a new card; Bartlett and May, comedy pair; Eldora and Morino, equilibrists, and Miss Madge Fox, the dainty coon singer. Prices always the same, 10, 15 and 20 cts.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

"Kit, the Arkansas Traveler," the melodrama of Western life, at the Academy of Music three nights, commencing Monday, Sept. 19, with Henry Chanfrau in the title role. "Kit, the Arkansas Traveler," is one of the plays that have come down from a former generation of theatre-goers, not only with its interest as a drama attending it, but with much of its old personal associations still clinging to it. In his support are Carrie Rose, who will play the role of the heroine; Alice Redding, Gara McDonald, Cora Belle Greene, Edwin Maynard, E. A. Summers, Daniel Kelly, Lawrence Barbour and others. A special feature is the singing of the Ideal Quartette, four vocalists that have gained flattering attention wherever the play has been produced. A handsome scenic equipment is promised. Thursday, Friday and Saturday, "The Octoroon."

Send your job printing to this office.

Avon.

Mrs. Frank Ryno of New York died at the home of her daughter in this village on Sunday last, aged 44 years. Mr Ryno had been spending the summer here in hopes of benefiting her health, as she had been a sufferer for the past ten years She formerly lived in LeRoy, where she leaves many relatives and friends As immediate relatives she leaves a husband and one daughter, Mrs. J. E Hogan Her funeral took place from St Agnes' church Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock; interment in St. Agnes' cemetery.

P. C. Gleason, delegate from Council 84 to the C. R. & B. A. convention held in Utica the fore part of this week, returned home Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs Peter Carragher of Geneseo and Mr. and Mrs Wm. Gallagher of Retsof visited friends in town last Sunday.

Mrs. Edward Leary spent Friday in Le Roy.

Miss Susan McCauley of Chicago is visiting at the home of her uncle, Thos Brennan of Center street.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Brothers returned from their vacation, which was spent at the Thousand Islands.

Ithaca.

The magnificent building on the corner on Seneca and Geneva, streets are no longer merely a mass of stone and marble. It is a temple dedicated to the honor and worship of God under the patronage of the Immaculate conception. Last Sunday was an ideal day for the services and long before the appointed hour the large building was crowded to doors and hundreds were standing in the aisles. Many were unable to even obtain a glimpse of the interior so great was the crowd. The church was blessed by Rt. Rev. Bishop McQuaid assisted by Rev. Dr. Nolan of Rochester, Rev. J. J. Gibbons of Auburn, Rev. Father McGrath of Moravia and our pastor Rev. Father Evans, and assistant, Rev. Father Kelly accompanied by thirty altar boys. After the dedicatory ceremonies a solemn high mass was sung.