

DIOCESAN NEWS.

What Our Friends in the Surrounding Parishes are Doing.

From Our Special Correspondents. Ithaca.

The mass on Christmas Eve was the first midnight mass in the new church. It was indeed a beautiful sight and the congregation had good cause to lift their voices in praise to Him who grants all blessings.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Turner and children, of Elmira, spent Christmas with James Sullivan of Cook street.

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Shea is making New Year calls at Auburn.

Miss May Hughes, '02, and Mr. F. S. Rauber '00, of Cornell, are spending the holidays at their homes in Rochester.

Mr. James Shea, manager of the People's Shoe Store for some time, has resigned his position to accept a partnership in a shoe store in Lancaster, Pa.

Miss Anna Burns, of New York, is the guest of her family on W. Green St.

Monday afternoon last, at 2:30 occurred the marriage of Miss Ellen Dwyer and Antony Carboney, Rev. Father Kelly performing the ceremony. A wedding reception was held in the evening at the home of the bride's brother, James Dwyer, on N. Meadway St.

Mr. and Mrs. Juan Reyna and son, of New York, are visiting Mrs. Reyna's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Larkin of Cascadilla street.

On Thursday evening a very pleasant surprise party, arranged by the Misses Jeanie Rundle and Katherine Larkin, was given Miss Mary W. Carrigan.

Newark.

About three o'clock Tuesday morning, Newark was visited by one of the most disastrous fires in her history. The Sherman Opera House, on Union street, being completely destroyed, with all its furniture and fixtures, including all the merchandise and stocks on the ground floor.

The fire started in the rear of A. F. Frech's jewelry store. The fire department were soon at work, but it seemed impossible to get at the flames so that the water could do much good, and despite the best efforts of the firemen the fire gained and soon crept into the rest of the stores in the block.

Mr. Thomas Keough, late of Buffalo, is in the city, and will assume his duties as chief clerk of the new Rathbun House, at the opening of that hostelry.

A number of music lovers journeyed to the chapel of the N. Y. State Reformatory Christmas night to listen to the rendition of Gault's "The Holy City" given by a double quartet, under the direction of Organist Carter of the Park Church.

The Misses Weale gave an enjoyable dancing party at Bundy Hall, Wednesday evening, which was attended by about 20 young people. The McHenry orchestra furnished music for the dances.

Coming.

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Barney Moran, James Sloane and Chas. Kelley, of Toledo, O., are spending Christmas holidays with old friends in Corning.

The Juvenile Minstrels played again at the Opera House on Monday night to a "Standing-room-only" house.

A certain young lady who lives in the wild west part of the town, was returning home one evening recently from a shopping expedition. The shades of night were falling fast and the lady, who is tall, was dressed in black.

Miss Anna Dunn spent Christmas with friends in Syracuse.

Mrs. Mary Morphy spent several days in Lyons.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Kelly of Lake St. are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a son.

Mr. Connelly of St. St., is confined to his home by a severe attack of the grippe.

S. S. Peter and Paul's beautiful new school will be opened next Wednesday morning. The edifice is an imposing three-story structure, of buff pressed brick and white stone, and is a credit to the parish. It is expected that with the fine facilities provided, a large attendance will be the result.

Christmas services at all the churches were attended by immense congregations, and attended by immense congregations, and attended by immense congregations.

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church was beautifully decorated and Rev. Father Long spoke on the feast of the Nativity at midnight mass. The work of the new organist and director, Martin F. Milan, was commended on all sides, and an elaborate choral service was performed.

The Lyceum presents a strong attraction on the evening of January 4th, when DeKoven & Smith's immensely popular romantic comic opera, "The Highwayman" will be with us.

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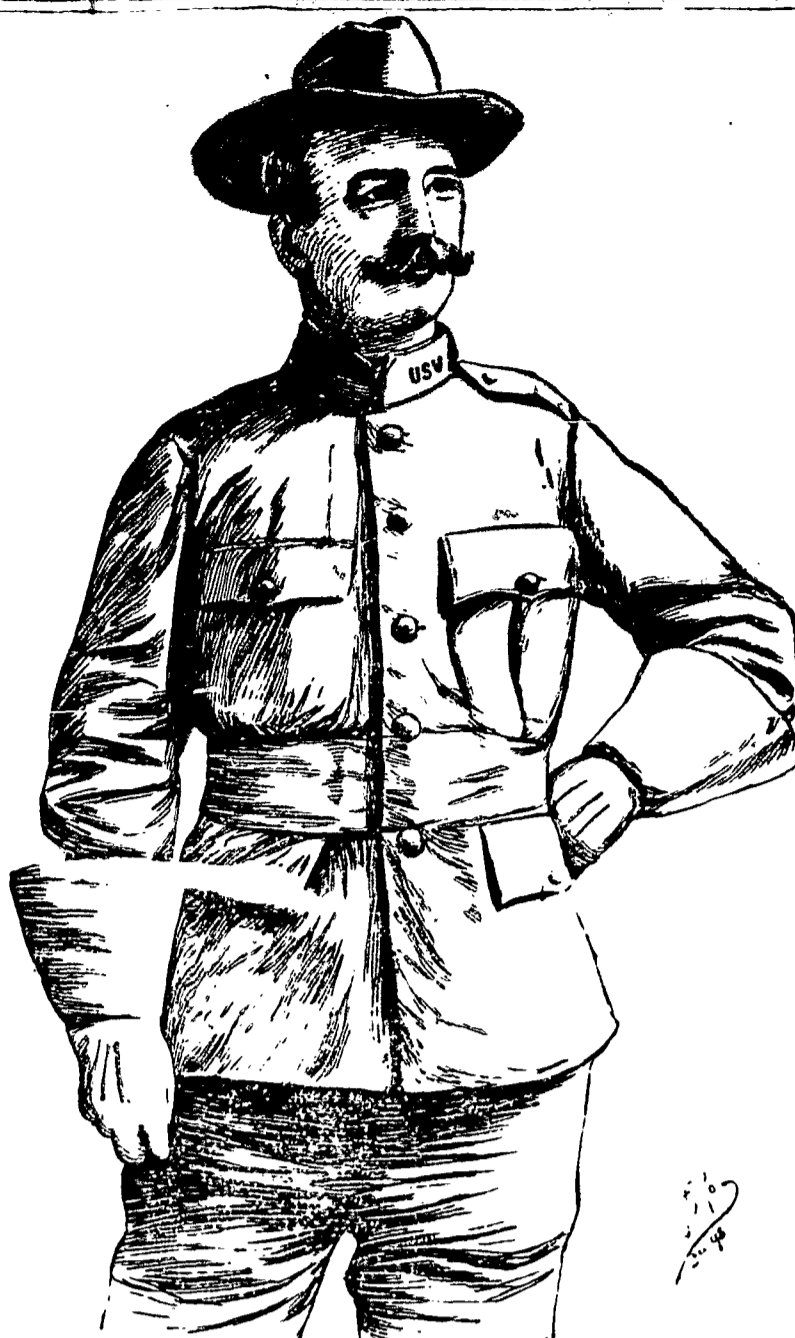
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MASON MITCHELL—ONE OF ROOSEVELT'S ROUGH RIDERS.

AMUSEMENTS.

'COOK'S.

No better bill of vaudeville features has been mastered under the banner of the Cook Opera House. The star of next week's bill is Mason Mitchell, who helped Teddy Roosevelt and his victorious heroes.

THE BAKER.

Seas are now selling at the box office of this theater for the engagement of "The Old Coat," a farcical comedy to be presented by the Smythe and Rice Comedy Company.

If you do not see any news from your parish in THE JOURNAL write us. We desire an agent and correspondent in every parish in the diocese.

OUR NEW PREMIUM

We have had a number of calls for the picture of St. Anthony lately and in order to satisfy our subscribers we have decided to give to each subscriber who pays one dollar in advance a beautiful picture of the saint, 12 x 16 inches, also an artistic aluminum medal.

A beautiful picture of St. Anthony, an artistic aluminum medal, to all subscribers of the JOURNAL paying \$1 in advance.

Catarah Cannot Be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarah is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies.

Sore Throat

Sore throat and constant coughing indicate an affection of the bronchial tubes which may develop into pleurisy or inflammation of the lungs. Do not wait; but use Dr. John W. Bull's Cough Syrup at once and be cured.

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Smallest Church in England.

The smallest church in England has been discovered in Lullington, in Sussex. The village itself is on so small a



Help For People Buried Alive.

A Russian inventor has constructed an apparatus which is to enable people buried alive to communicate with the outer world should they awake from their trance in the grave.

Effect on the Eyes of Watchmaking.

A German oculist says that constant use of the magnifying glass is an excellent protection against myopia. He bases this statement on the fact that out of seventy-five watchmakers examined by him scarcely 5 per cent of the number were short sighted.

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IN THE LADRONES.

MANY QUEER THINGS TO BE FOUND ON THE ISLANDS.

The Man Who Owns a Farm is Independently Rich and Can Support Life Without Labor—Palm Trees That Grow Ivory as Good as the Elephant's Tusk.

The queer things in the Ladrones include a tree the fruit of which is so obnoxious to the nostrils that a man cannot "keep his stomach" and smell it. But once just the nose it is so delicious that he will eat until too full to walk. This fruit ripens once a month, and is plentiful.

Another fruit is so rare that it is used as a coin. A very queer mineral product is a stone which changes color in the atmosphere. Cold days it is black; hot days it is bright red; when rain threatens it is pinkish, and in cloudy weather it is blue.

A great yellow flower which opens and closes to the sun at noon is another novelty. The flower takes only five minutes to open and shut; for one minute it is wide open, showing a white center with golden heart. It opens directly up to the sun and closes tight with drooping head. It varies not one minute in the whole lifetime of the plant. On cloudy days it opens, but does not rise as on sunny days.

This flower acts as a clock to the natives. Among domestic animals of the Ladrones is a small bird called a "laughing donkey." It laughs like a parrot, but has projections at the side of its head which give rise to the name. Another household pet is the Japanese poodle, which here is very small and very curly haired. This dog catches its own fish in the lagoons, and eats fruit from the guava tree.

The man who owns a farm in the Ladrones is a rich man, for he can support life without labor. Breadfruit trees grow wild, and the cocoanuts are the shade trees of the islands. A grove of breadfruit trees to a Ladrones islander is what a herd of Western cattle is to a ranchman. Fruit grows all the year round, and every quality of queer edible tropical fruit is found there. Rice, corn, indigo, castor oil, guavas and breadfruit are exceedingly plentiful, while sugarcane, cotton, tobacco and castor beans grow without planting, the trees natural to the soil and spring up in such quantities as to be regarded as weeds.

A very valuable possession which Uncle Sam would use is the palm grove, which extends in a belt across all the islands. This palm grove consists of palm trees which rise side by side so close together that you can hardly, except for the slenderness of the trunks of the trees, penetrate into the depths of the palm forest. They grow vegetable ivory, which in commerce is as good as the elephant tusk. This ivory can be used in all cases that do not call for great durability, and for ornaments, it cannot be surpassed.

The Pantheon at Rome.

The Pantheon at Rome was built by Agrippa about 27 B. C., being called the Pantheon because of its majestic dome, which represented the "all-divine" firmament. It was dedicated to Jupiter, Mars, and all the ancient structures still standing. It is the largest and best preserved. Its external diameter is 138 feet, its height to the summit of the dome is 148 feet. The Corinthian portico, made up of 16

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Trees in New Zealand.

The kauri is the monarch of the New Zealand forest, an indigenous pine, growing to enormous height, frequently eighty feet, before it sends out a branch, while its average diameter is from eight to nine feet. It is said to be 800 years in reaching maturity. There is no underbrush in a kauri forest, the price of trees permitting no rival within his domain. The totara is another species of pine, which, however, has none of the characteristics of the coniferous of other countries, either in habit or in appearance. The most singular of all is the rata, a peculiar tree with somewhat the nature of a parasite. It it springs from a rimu pine it winds about it like a huge vine, its tightening coils gradually crushing the life out of the unfortunate pine. When it reaches the top it sends out branches and stands a hollow shell, its coils knit closely together by the dense network of fibers, which appear in the last stage of its growth. It has a like affinity for its own species, and a second rata springing up beside one of earlier growth will absorb and destroy it as it destroys the rimu. If, however, neither rimu nor rata is within reach it grows up a respectable and well-behaved tree, attaining a height of from fifty to sixty feet, and is used for masts in ship building.

Russia Has Few Newspapers.

Russia has fewer newspapers (only about 900, in proportion to its inhabitants than any other European country. Germany has seven times, France five times, and England four times as many.

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