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AUDACIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS

The Irish World of last week published the following clippings which quicken the blood in our veins. Such horrible atrocities should be severely dealt with or better still not be allowed.

MCKINLEY'S COMMISSION IN PORTO RICO. IT RECOMMENDS THAT THE SACRAMENTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH BE ABOLISHED.

WASHINGTON, D. C. June 30, 1899.

Dear Sir:—By an order dated March 7, 1899, the Insular Commission appointed by the President of the United States have investigated and reported upon the various internal affairs of Porto Rico...

"The religion of Porto Rico was the recognized Roman Catholic church, and the priesthood upon the island belonged to the Romanist church, was paid by the government, and the sum of \$92,000 was annually collected in taxes and paid for these purposes."

On page 68 of this report, under the heading of "Marriage and Divorce," this McKinley commission recommends that "Priests and others who have taken the vow of celibacy may be permitted to renounce said vow and enter into marriage relations, the same as other persons."

This report is signed by the three Commissioners, and is addressed to the Hon. R. A. Alger, Secretary of War, Washington, D. C.

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relative to the Philippine question. McKinley's friends seem to favor the same idea regarding the religious question, and want to mix theology with politics.

Every once in a while we see it announced in the papers that the president has sent some reverend pulpiter to Cuba or Porto Rico to "investigate and report" upon the conditions there.

Is it to be wondered at that thousands of life-long republicans, like myself, should feel indignant, and are determined to support Bryan, or any other man, for president at the next election?

PATRICK O'FARRELL

(From the Philadelphia North American)

"The gallows is not half good enough for some of the soldiers of Uncle Sam." This is the declaration of one of Uncle Sam's soldiers in the Philippines. He is Michael Prendergast, private, of Co. A., United States Infantry, and his denunciatory assertion is made in a letter just received by his parents, who live near Jenkin's own.

"Villages and churches are in ruins as the result of our cannonading. One church presented a scene such I have never before seen or heard of. The volunteers found the church just as the priest left, and so, when these devils came they completely demolished everything. They broke to pieces the statue of the Blessed Virgin, besides the statues of saints. After this was done they broke up the tabernacle, where they seized the chalice and the blessed sacrament, which they threw upon the floor.

Private Prendergast has an enviable record as a soldier. When the war opened he enlisted in the 3d Cavalry and served with credit through the entire Cuban campaign. After a spell of sickness at Montauk Point and at Jefferson Barracks he was transferred to the 12th Infantry and sent to the Philippines.

FAKE AGENTS

Subscribers are again cautioned not to deal with fake agents. We are not selling pictures, rosaries, crucifixes or in fact any religious articles. Our premiums go with the paper, and are given free. Our premium this year is a handsome picture of St. Anthony, also a medal. Our manager, Mr. E. J. Ryan, has no brother and does not do any canvassing himself.

THE JOURNAL extends hearty congratulations to Rt. Rev. B. J. McQuaid who celebrated the thirty-first anniversary of his consecration as bishop of the Rochester diocese, Wednesday morning. Few bishops have worked under the banner of our Lord as long as our ordinary. "Ad multos annos."

The street fair and carnival to be given under the auspices of the Rochester Elks has met with some opposition but as soon as the matter is explained, all further objections are withdrawn. The fair will no doubt bring many strangers to our city.

A rumor was circulated throughout the city this week that Father Hendrick, rector of St. Bridget's church, was kicked by a horse and killed. We are happy to say that the rumor was without foundation.

Our felicitations are offered Rev. Wm. A. Morrison of Watkins, upon his appointment to the irremovable rectorship of Hornellville.

A WORTHY PRIEST PROMOTED.

Editor of CATHOLIC JOURNAL.

There is a feature of sadness in the farewell parting between relatives, friends and associates. But the parting of an exemplary pastor to his spiritual children, the congregation, casts a gloom of sorrow more easily imagined than described. On Sunday last our beloved priest, Rev. Father Morrison, to the great surprise of the members of St. Mary's parish, took occasion to preach his farewell sermon. His speaking from the beginning to the finish constituted solid instruction and fatherly advice to his congregation to continue in the ways of the honorable, practical and upright Catholic.

As Watkins has always been blessed with fine priests, the pleasant announcement is made of the continuation in the person of Rev. Father Moriarity of Elmira, who will take charge of St. Patrick's parish on Sunday next.

WATKINS, N. Y.

THE BLACK MAN'S BURDEN.

A parody on Kipling's "The White Man's Burden." Add more to the poor man's burden— Whether he be black or brown, The "Anglo-Saxon" is the "white" man...

"Our Boys and Girl's Own," the new illustrated Catholic monthly, contains original stories by the foremost Catholic writers, and has 25 to 30 half-tone illustrations in each issue.

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CATHOLIC NOTES

Prince-Priest Max of Saxony doesn't think that the accident of his royal birth should facilitate his promotion in the ecclesiastical ranks. He is working away as a missionary and keeping up his studies—quite recently he passed successfully his doctorate examination—and is content to await for higher honors until he has earned them.

"Pictorial Lives of the Saints," with reflections for every day of the year, is a large octavo, 538 pages, and nearly 400 illustrations. There is nothing "cheap" about this book except the price.

Three new rectors have been appointed by Archbishop Ryan. Rev. John J. McCort, of the seminary of St. Charles Borromeo, has been named for the irremovable rectorship of the Church of Our Mother of Sorrows, Bishop Shanahan. Rev. P. F. McNulty, of Our Mother of Sorrows, is to be the rector of the new church which is to be located at Fifty-fourth and Vine streets.

THE GOSPELS

GOSPEL.—Eighth Sunday after Pentecost.—St. Luke xvi. 1-9.—At that time Jesus spoke to His disciples this parable: "There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and the same was accused unto him, that he had wasted his goods."

Why did Christ speak this parable? With this parable Christ intended to rebuke the avarice of the Pharisees, who made bad use of their worldly goods, and besides, He advises us to make good use of riches, especially when they have been acquired by violating in some manner the law of God and by offending the Divine Majesty.

CATHOLIC SOCIETIES.

What is Transpiring in the Different Fraternities.

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Supreme Council of the C. M. B. A., held at Brooklyn, June 29th, the following report of the finance committee upon the examination of the books, accounts and vouchers of Supreme Recorder Hickey, was presented, and on motion received and filed:

ROCHESTER CATHOLICS at the Summer School.

J. C. Connolly, secretary of the Rochester Cottage Association, which owns the Rochester Cottage at Cliff Haven, the home of the Catholic Summer School, left Monday for that place in charge of a large party.

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At about 9-15 o'clock the carriage which was to convey the brothers to the depot drew up before the gate, but the boys of the C. Y. M. A. had everything planned, and proceeded to take the horses from the carriage. This was done with little difficulty, and a long rope was tied to the front axle.

PARISH NOTES.

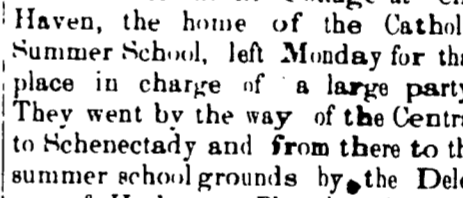
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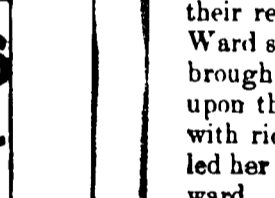
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