DIOCESAN NEWS.

What Our Friends in the Surrounding Parishes are Doing.

From Our Special Correspondents.

OUR AGENT

Mr. A. Herman, will call on all subscribers in Corning, Hornellsville and Addison.

Lima.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Slattery and Mr. Slattery's sister May, of Rochester, were calling on friends and relatives in town last week.

John Carroll of Rochester, was in town over Sunday.

Miss Jennie Mooney of Rochester, is visiting her aunt, Miss Lizzie Mooney of this place.

Mr. George Harrington, representing the Pustet Book Co., of New York, has been soliciting orders in our town for the past week. He handles none but Catholic books all of which are up-to-date and contain information pertaining to our Faith about which every one should know. The younger members of our congregation, especially the young men, are very backward in such matters and demonstrate little or no inclination or desire to be informed on the mysteries or truths concerning our holy religion. We hope Mr. Harrington will meet the success he deserves, and that our young men will be liberal with their money and contribute ungrudgingly a small part of their earnings, which would ordinarily be spent otherwise for what would harm them instead of doing them good.

Bath.

William H. Grogan, who is home from Manhattan College, New York, for the summer, has entered the law office of the Hon. John F. Little, in this village, for the study of law.

Hugh Hassett of New York, is spending his vacation in this village.

Wm. McMamara is expected home from New York the coming week to spend a few days vacation.

A body of the Independent Order of Red Men has been organized in this village.

An official investigation of the management and workings of the Soldiers' Home, at this place, is being talked of, and if it materializes a very racy time may be expected.

Misses Margaret and Katherine McNamara spent last week in Savona, the guest of Miss Seager.

Miss Nellie Kavanaugh of Syracuse, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Michael McLaughlin.

Martin Murphy of this village, who went out in the 202nd Regiment, New York Infantry at the breaking out of the late Spanish war, and who was mustered out with his regiment, has re-enlisted in the 27th Regt. U. S. regulars and will go to Manila with his regiment.

Mrs. Joseph Furtherer, Jr., has been visiting friends in Rochester.

Katherine Shoemaker is visiting her aunt in Syracuse.

John McNamara left Monday to resume his duties as traveling salesman for the Scranton Stone Works.

John Connors who has lately been with Allison, has opened a tailoring shop of his own on West Steuben street. Success to him.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. McNamara and son, spent the past week at Keuka Landing, Lake Keuka.

Chief-of-Police Martin H. Collins, Jr., will enjoy his vacation the coming week and Night Patrolman Frank Smith will take his place during his absence.

William Conley of this village, who has been teaching school at Cohocton the past term, has, it is said, gone to New York, where he has a position.

Mrs. Robert Bowes and children, of Corning, visited relatives here the past week.

Mrs. W. F. Lindsay attended the L. C. B. A. Convention held at Asbury Park, last week, as a delegate from St. Mary's branch of this village.

The annual school meeting of Haverling high school to elect trustees for the ensuing year, will be held at the court house next Wednesday.

Rev. Father J. J. Griffin, of this village, and Father O'Shay of Hammondsport, were in attendance Tuesday evening at the forty hours services at Horseheads.

Albert Herman, traveling representative of THE JOURNAL spent a couple of days in Bath this week renewing old subscribers and soliciting new ones. Mr. Herman is a bright, energetic newspaper man and hustles from sunrise to sunset every day in the year. He is a pleasing affable gentleman to meet, thoroughly understands the business and proves himself a valuable man for the paper. May his shadow never grow less.

Hornellsville.

A. Herman, the agent for THE CATHOLIC JOURNAL, will call on all subscribers in Hornellsville and Canisteo next week to collect subscriptions.

Martin Nehil, an old Hornellsville boy, who is now working for the Standard Oil Company in Brooklyn, being foreman in the boiler department, is the guest of relatives in this city.

From present indications there will be a lively time at the election of a school trustees on August 1st.

A tramp applied at police headquarters for lodging Friday evening, suffering with delirium tremens, from the effects of which he died Sunday morning. The unfortunate man gave his name as Davis, and his residence as Far Rockaway. Messages were sent there and as no reply was received. He was buried in Potter's field.

Ex-Post Master Wm. H. Murry and our present City Chamberlain, F. A. Jones have formed a partnership and will go into the general insurance business about August 1st.

City Attorney, John Griffin and T. C. McCarthy leave for Buffalo to join with the Buffalo Knights of Columbus on their excursion to Put-in Bay on Lake Erie, August 1st.

The Ladies Auxiliary, A. O. H., held their annual outing at Glenwood, Wednesday. A large number were present and all report a good time.

A number of young people of this city enjoyed a straw ride (in a carry all) to Alfred Tuesday evening.

Mr. John J. Cannon is in New York on a business trip.

Miss Susie V. Donovan has returned from [illegible] at Jamestown, and [illegible] at Chautauqua Lake.

Corning.

Miss Mame McAvoy spent Sunday in Penn Yan.

Frank Swain of Buffalo, was in the city Sunday.

Alderman Patrick Callahan left on Monday for Toledo and Detroit on a ten days trip.

The Alliance Hook and Ladder Co., accompanied by the Alliance band, and a large number of friends, went to Penn Yan on Tuesday evening and enjoyed a moon light ride on Lake Keuka returning to Corning in the early hours of the morning. It was a delightful trip

Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Hefferman have returned from a trip to Montreal, Canada.

Leo Egginton and Dr. Campell wheeled to Big Flats on Sunday.

The roughers of O. F Egginton's glass cutting shops, have been working during the week, over time until 10 o'clock each night.

Rev. Walter Lee returned on Sunday from a two week's trip to the Thousand Islands Lake Champlain, Quebec, Montreal and other points of interest.

Mr. Victor Emanuel Comosh visited the Gaines oil fields early in the week and talks entertainingly and enthusiastically of his experiences there.

Under the capable supervison of Rev. J. M. Bustin, St. Mary's parochial school is undergoing many needed repairs and improvements and when school begins in September the youngsters will find themselves supplied with a splendid indoor recreation hall in the basement. An adjunct that will be much appreciated during cold and inclement weather.

Joseph McGovern who was a cavalryman at San Juan at the time of the famous Rough Rider's fight there, recently was the recipient of an offer to travel with the Buffalo Bill Company and take part in the mimic battle that is enacted at each performance of the show. Several of Mr. McGovern's companions-in-arms during the late war, are now with Buffalo Bill's show; but the Corning young man declined the offer as he wishes to "settle down" for a little while and remain at home.

Geneva.

Patrick Hanlon, while splitting wood early Saturday morning, received a serious and probably fatal injury. A clothes line interfered with the axe from which it glanced off striking Hanlon upon the head inflicting an ugly gash. The wound, which was about an inch and a half long and sinking clear to the skull, was dressed by Dr. McCarthy.

$12,000 of the $25,000 necessary, has been raised for the establishment of a shoe factory in Geneva. P. F. Kane of this city is at the head of the project.

With the establishing of a shoe factory and an automobile factory, Geneva will be making rapid strides towards becoming a city in reality as well as in name. President Blaine, of the Geneva Wagon Works has made contracts with a Massachusett's firm for $200,000 worth of automobiles to be fulfilled within a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dwyer are receiving congratulations of their many friends over the advent of a son. Mr. Dwyer who has been in this city, has returned to Cincinnati where he will rejoin his team, the Cincinnati's.

Fred Lynch, while unloading stone from a boat, met with a painful accident Saturday. He slipped and fell. In falling he reached out his arm to save himself, breaking the wrist of his right arm. The injury though painful is not serious.

Seneca Falls.

Miss Agnes Murphy has returned home from a pleasant visit with her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Costelle, 36 Richmond Park.

Miss Francis Murphy of Rochester, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr and Mrs. B. Murphy, Bridge street.

Mr. John Sullivan of Dansville, was in town last week.

Rev. Owen Farron of Rochester, is visiting friends and relatives in town.

Rev. Father O'Connor announced Sunday that the lawn festival would be held Thursday, August 3rd, on the lawn of Mrs. Owen Smith on East Bayard street.

St. Patrick's choir were at Niagara Falls Saturday last, through the kindness of their reverend pastor of St. Patrick's church, Rev Father O'Connor.

Mrs. Mary Hamill is spending a few days in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McGuire are among friends in New York.

Edward Cummerford of Medina, is visiting his aunt Mrs. O. J. Mackin on Green street.

Miss Ethel Hoag is in Little Falls among friends.

Don't forget the lawn festival next Thursday.

Honeoye.

Mrs. Josephine Hicks of this place, died July 24th, at Patrick Beahan's, where she has lived many years.

The surveyors are at work on the roads in Honeoye for a railroad.

Mrs. Coyne of Richmond Mills, is very ill. Her many friends hope to see her out soon.

Michael Menihan's horse cut its foot badly on a barbed wire fence.

Berry picking is about over.

Canandaigua.

Supreme Deputy, Miss Margaret Powell, paid an official visit to Catholic English Council Thursday evening. A beautiful bouquet of roses was presented to Miss Powell. Aftewards an enjoyable lunch was served.

AN ANIMALS' NERVES.

THEY HAVE BEEN GRAFTED TO MAN'S.

An Interesting Instance of this Implantation—Out of a Score of Cases, One Recovered Entirely—Muscular Power Improved in Four Cases.

In a certain proportion of cases of injuries to nerves the ends cannot be brought together and a portion of nerve obtained from one of the lower animals or from an amputated limb has been implanted. Dr. R. Peterson has contributed an important article on the transplantation of nerves to the American Journal of the Medical Sciences which contains an original case and an analysis of the small number of previously recorded cases.

A man, aged 24, was severely injured in the right wrist by a circular saw. The ulnar artery and flexor tendons were severed. The latter were immediately sutured. He lost sensibility in the hand and later there were trophic changes glossy skin, corrugated nails and ulceration of the skin, and marked atrophy of the small muscles. Five months after the injury the divided ends of the median nerve were exposed. They were found to be united by connective tissue. The proximal end formed a hard bulb. The connective tissue and the bulb were removed, leaving a gap. So much force was required to bring together the cut ends that transplantation of nerve was decided upon.

Four centimeters of the sciatic nerve of a young black hound were sutured between the ends with a kangaroo tendon. A similar operation was performed on the ulnar nerve. On the following day distinct return of sensibility in the thumb was found, the fingers could not be tested without disturbing the bandage. Two months after operation the skin had lost its shiny look and appeared normal and the muscles, though still atrophide, were regaining power. A month later sensibility was complete except on the dorsal surface of the third phalanges of the second, third and fourth fingers. The only anaesthetic areas on the palmar aspect were on the second and third phalanges of the third and fourth fingers and on the third phalanx of the second finger.

There are twenty recorded cases of transplantation of nerves. The median nerve was operated on in seven cases, the ulnar in three, the median and ulnar nerves in two, the musculo-spiral nerve in seven, and the sciatic in one. There were eight primary and twelve secondary operations. The time from the injury to the operation varied from forty-eight hours to one and a quarter years. Eight out of the twelve cases of secondary operation showed improvement in sensibility or motion, while only four out of eight cases of primary operation improved. The interval between the ends of the divided nerves varied from three to ten centimetres, but distance did not seem to affect the result. In nine cases the transplanted segments were from the sciatic nerves of dogs, in three from rabbits, in one from a kitten, in one from the spinal cord of a rabbit, and in five from recently amputated limbs. In one case an inch of the sciatic nerve which had been excised was itself transplanted. In nine cases catgut was used to unite the implanted segments to the divided ends, in three silk, and in one kangaroo tendon.

No case recovered entirely. The nearest approach to complete recovery took place in the case longest under observation, in which at the end of six years sensibility had entirely returned and the only weak muscle was the abductor pollicis. In three cases there was practically recovery of sensibility and motion and the hand was useful. Sensibility completely returned in four cases, nearly completely in three cases, and was improved in four cases. Muscular power improved in four cases. There was improvement in either motion or sensibility in twelve cases, and no improvement in either in six cases. The average time in which sensibility appeared after the operation was about ten days; motion returned in about two and a half months.

Women Who Never Speak.

The severity of the Bernardines of Anglet, Sisters of St. Bernard, most resembles that of the famous Trappist monks. The nuns take a vow of perpetual silence. The nunnery is situated in the southwest corner of France, on the borders of Spain, and under the shadow of the Pyrenees. It was founded by the Abbe Cestac. Every hour of the day is carefully maped out. Each time the big clock of the monastery chimes the hour, every nun falls on her knees and spends a few moments in prayer. Out in the fields it is marvelous to see how well the oxen know these chimes—directly they hear them they stop instinctively, starting on their way again the instant the sisters rise from their knees. The Bernardines have no fear of death. Indeed, on the contrary, they long for it. When the first superior of their order lay dying, she had an interview with one of the nuns, who implored her to intercede on her behalf in heaven that she too might die soon. The superior smiled and in an inspired voice said that in a month her request should be granted. On the day of the burial, just as the coffin was to be closed, the nun drew near the body, whispered in its ear, and slipped a note into the dead hand, imploring the superior not to forget her promise. Just a month from that date the nun, too, passed away, and so the promise was fulfilled.

LIVING WITHOUT A STOMACH

Only Two Cases of Total Extirpation on Record.

The total extirpation of the stomach is an operation that has been performed only twice in the annals of surgery. Prof. Kocher, the celebrated surgeon, performed the second operation last Friday, in his hospital here. The first case was accomplished in San Francisco. Prof. Kocher's operation was upon a woman 40 years old, who had been suffering from cacinoma, or hard cancer of the stomach for some time. On opening the abdominal cavity it was found that the case was favorable for a complete removal of the stomach, because of the slight extent to which the lymphatic system was involved. The entire stomach from the oesophagas to the duodenum was then removed and an anastomosis, or union, was made between them. Great care was taken not to interfere with the circulation of the intestines. The operation was completed without accident. Until the fourth day after the operation the patient seemed well, when, without any apparent cause, she died.

An autopsy was held yesterday. It was found that in spite of the great care taken to preserve the nutrition of the intestines there was a small area of necrosis in the transverse colon—in other terms, dead tissue in the large intestine. That was enough to set up a mild peritonitis, which, in the extreme weak and emaciated condition of the woman, caused her death. It was also found, however, that the oesophagus and duodenum, which had been united, were almost entirely healed. Dr. Schlatter, of Zurich, has performed an operation, involving the partial removal of the stomach, his patient being a woman, who lived a year and a half after the treatment.

Hold Your Breath and You'll Sleep.

A prominent New York physician, himself a sufferer from insomnia for many years, has discovered a brand new way of putting one's self to sleep almost instantaneously. It has worked well in his own case, and never failed in the many trials he has made upon his patients.

After taking a deep inspiration the breath is held until positive discomfort is felt. It is then let gently out. The process is repeated a second and a third time, and this is as a rule sufficient to obtain sleep. The mind must be fixed upon the experiment and one's thoughts must not be allowed to wander.

Insomnia is produced by two kinds of cerebral activity directly opposite in nature, a too active cerebral circulation and an insufficient cerebral circulation. The former can easily be recognized from the throbbing and pulsating of the arteries. The self asphyxiation of the patient causes a flow of nervous blood to the brain and an increase of the carbonic acid and waste products for decomposition. These products, carried to the brain by the blood, overwhelm its centres and so produce sleep.

Dr. Johann Meuli-Hitz a German physician, writes enthusiastically about the effect of sleeping with the head low as a means of obtaining the most refreshing slumber. He raises the foot of the bed so that it forms an inclined plane. He says that the sleep thus obtained is more beneficial; that one awakens with a clear head, a wider horizon. He asserts that the neck increases in size, that the influence upon the lungs is so great that it can lessen the tendency to consumption. He recommends that the lowering of the head be done gradually, and says that insomnia often is caused by sleeping with the head too high.

President Sam of Hayti.

It is far less easy to get to the president of Hayti than to Mr. McKinley, of the White House. The pavilion-like palace in the Champ de Mars, surrounded by its little park, inclosed by a tall iron grating, with lookout boxes at the angles, a large and strong military barrack at the rear, and field cannon posted here and there, could stand a considerable siege, and with a faithful garrison would be proof against almost any mob attack.

There is no end of etiquette involved in the approach to Son Excellence, yet I was favored with fortunate opportunities for seeing Mr. Simon Sam. Tall and massive, with an immense paunch, and features and hue that are typically African, as you gaze at him in his sumptuous uniform, gorgeous with gold lace and a brilliant silk scarf, you cannot help picturing to your mind's eye his hypothetical appearance as a mid-African chief, with huge feathers in his topknot, only a rattle-beaded clout about his loins, a nail-studded war club in one hand, and about him a band of dusky savages more naked than himself, instead of these strutting gentlemen in tall hats and European clothes, and these other prancing gentlemen in gaudy trappings, with tinkling spurs and jingling swords.

President Sam, however, is not, as it appears thus far, a man to be personally feared. His selection was a compromise, and he is only the figure-head of the present oligarchs, posing as a moderate statesman, while in truth he is only a rather dense-brained old soldier. In state affairs he is almost wholly guided by his ministers, of whom Hippolyte St. Victor, in charge of the foreign department, and Tancrede Auguste, of the department of the interior, are probably the ablest.

In trying on her brother's clothes a Montana woman pulled the necktie too tight and was strangled.

SNAP SHOTS.

The so-called Filipino government, it still exists, will collapse completely when Aguinaldo presents his bill for mileage.—Chicago Record.

The Dreyfus case bears some resemblance to the brook, as described by Tenyson.—Chicago Post.

That house idea for Dewey gets further confirmation in the suspicion that when he arrives the nation is likely to raise the roof.—Philadelphia Times.

"I thought," said the disappointed friend, "you told me this election was going to be a walk over." "Well," answered the former candidate, "it was the doorstep"—Washington Star.

Rupert. They can say what they will about the Cuban soldiers, but one of them saved my life at San Juan at the expense of his own. Ethel—Oh, the brave fellow! How did it happen? Rupert. He stole my can of beef and ate it himself.—New York Judge.

"Found!" cried the explorer, as the north pole hove in sight. "I annex this district in the name of my gracious sovereign." "Too late," murmured a native laconically. "All this district is under the control of the ice trust."—Philadelphia North American.

Deacon Jones—Do you think it is right for people to go to sleep in church? Deacon Brown—Of course, it is, at least in our church. If it wasn't so do you suppose Parson Dulldry would put them to sleep?—Boston Transcript.

"Why don't you begin?" inquired the excited prize-fight patron. "The police!" said the manager, hoarsely. "I don't see any here. You're not afraid of them, are you?" "Not afraid! Why, they'd never forgive me if I started this show up before they got here. They want to see the whole business."—Washington Star.

"The minister," observed the church member, as if the idea had just occurred to him, "can take a vacation, but satan never takes a vacation." "True," replied the other church member, "but satan can stand the heat a great deal better than the minister."—Puck.

Finesse—She did not poison her husband, although he was seventy-three years old, while she was but eighteen. She was far too clever for that. Instead she kissed his brow, and asked him would he not, for her sake, try to live to be 100. Of course he could not refuse. The effort to live to be 100 was, at his advanced age, necessarily fatal; and the young wife came at once into all his property.—Detroit Journal.

The Holy Synod of Russia has decreed that the insurance companies are not obliged to pay losses incurred during anti-Semitic riots. They did not say the companies are not to pay to Jews, but it is well known that in these riots the Jews only suffer loss, and so, by this measure, Jews alone are afflicted.

Sultan, a Newfoundland dog has just died in France. He was noted for having arrested a thief, capturing an assassin, rescuing a child from drowning and saving a man who attempted suicide. The Society for the Protection of Animals presented him with a collar. Recently he prevented a castle being robbed and was poisoned, it is supposed, by those who attempted the robbery.

In Cincinnati a man advertised his desire to sell a valuable secret for 50 cents. He stated that he would tell how he was cured of drinking, smoking, swearing, staying out at night, going to the races, gambling, and how he gained twenty pounds in weight in two years. Several persons sent him 50 cents each and here is the secret they received: "Just cured of all the bad habits named by an enforced residence for two years in the Ohio state prison."

The German government possesses several torpedo boats constructed of aluminum and it has equipped four army corps in all their metal accoutrements with aluminum, including cartridge boxes and cartridge cases, canteens, cups, sword handles, bayonet scabbards, the devices on the soldiers' helmets and the metal work of the stirrups and saddles. Even the buttons on their uniforms and the pegs in their boots are constructed of the same light metal.

Lieutenant Eggers of the Damaraland police recently prevented an uprising of natives in a unique manner. The authorities had ordered the registration of all rifles in the possession of the natives and the latter feared that their guns were to be taken away. But the officer told them that their weapons were merely to be "vaccinated" and as they remembered the beneficial work of the veterinary surgeons during the great cattle plague they eagerly submitted the guns for vaccination against evil spirits.