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This issue of THE JOURNAL being
the first issued in the Twentieth Cen-
tury, we extend our wish to all our
readers, both young and old, a happy
and prosperous New Year.

THE INDIAN QUESTION.

Charles F. Lummis, editor of Land
and Sunshine, is qualified to discuss
the rights and wrongs of the Indians.
He is not a Catholic, but he is a man
of observation and broad Christian
sympathies.

The Los Angeles Times recently
published a report of his address be-
fore the Newman club of that city.
Mr. Lummis pictured the early at-
tempts of the Spanish missionaries
and viceroys to civilize the "red" man,
and told how, in 1539—one year before
the great English Bible was printed,
there was printed in Mexico a catech-
ism in the Aztec language, for the
benefit of the Aztec Indians.

He contended that all the efforts of
the early Spanish colonists were to
win the affection and confidence of the
Indians, by continually trying to better
his condition, and by not allowing pal-
tices or unscrupulous "trustees" to
get control of the affairs of the vari-
ous tribes. He blamed the present
Indian bureau for ignorance and neg-
lect upon the fundamental principles
of education; and contended that if
our system were subjected to a radi-
cal reformation on the lines of the
Spanish mission school, that we should
have no scandals to hide and no dire
failures to record. He said that it
was marvellous to think that by our
so-called higher methods of civiliza-
tion we are slowly but surely exter-
minating the Indian, while, by a con-
tinuation of the system founded by
the Spanish methods, the Indians
throughout Mexico and the other South
American countries were holding their
own.

He severely arraigned Major Pratt
and the government school at Car-
leisle, Pa., as the refinement of cruelty
in educating children to forget their
parents, and teaching the sons and
daughters of the Indians to grow up
impudent and worthless to the people
to whom they owed their existence.
He took pains to express himself as
not being an advocate of Catholic
schools as such, but he believed that
the Catholic schools should be sup-
ported simply because they are good
schools.

He stated that he had come from a
generation of pure Methodist stock
and yet he had to admit that he had
yet to find a Catholic school devoted
to Indian education that was not of
salutary as permanent value to the
Indians. He reminded the club that
the government appropriation had
now entirely ceased, and in conse-
quence, thousands of Indian children
will be dependent on the charity of
the friends of common humanity for
support and education, and he there-
fore urged the members of the club
to help in such a worthy cause.

The Very Rev. William H. Ketch-
um of the see of Oklahoma, who re-
sides at Antlers, in the Indian Terri-
tory, but is visiting Washington on
official business, will probably be ap-
pointed soon as head of the Catho-
lic Indian Bureau of the United
States. He will succeed the venerable
Mgr. Thomas Stephan, who has gov-
erned the bureau here for many years,
having taken the late Dr. J. B. A.
Bouliet's place after that priest died
in 1893. By reason of feeble health
and advanced age, Mgr. Stephan deems
it expedient to resign his exacting
duties into younger hands.

At the close of the great Australia-
nian Catholic Congress, held at Syd-
ney, it was announced by His Emin-
ence Cardinal Moran that similar
gatherings will be held every third
year in future—the next to take place
at Melbourne. This is an excellent
idea, and worthy the gifted cardinal,
and it is carried out will do much for
Catholicism in Australia.

There are some Catholics who call
themselves liberal whose only liberality
consists in liberally distributing
criticisms on church affairs. It is a
remarkable fact that those who claim
for themselves the word liberal are
the least loyal Catholics. They would
not stand any criticism in their own
particular line of business, but are al-
ways foremost in criticizing things
they know nothing about.

Spring Lake, New York, will have a
new church, the gift of Mr. Morton
Maloney. Steps looking to the erec-
tion of the edifice were taken a few
days ago. The entire cost will be
borne by Mr. Maloney and the church
will be a memorial of his daughter,
Catharine, who died recently on her
return from Rome. This is not the
first time that the Catholics of Spring
Lake and vicinity have benefited
through the generosity and sterling
faith of Mr. Maloney. A few years
ago at a cost of \$4,000 he had the old
church renovated.

Nearly 200 societies, with an ag-
gregate membership of about 40,000
were represented at the organization
of the first State Federation of Catho-
lic Societies in Cincinnati, Decem-
ber 9th.

A CARD OF THANKS.

Provincial of Augustinians Thanks His
Benefactors

The recipient of public charity
should make public and suitable recog-
nition of the same, even though the
giver might wish it to be unknown in
this, so as to merit the more in the
next world. Therefore I wish,
through the generous "Public Press,"
to return my sincere thanks to Catho-
lics, Protestants, Jews and Gentiles,
whose money I have received in aid
of the gigantic enterprise in which I
have been engaged in the past two
years at Villanova. Scarcely has there
been so much done in so short a time,
with so little noise made about it, so
few public appeals made for it. Some
people wish a fuss made about what
they give to charity, and some peo-
ple do not. I satisfy both when I say
that I have kept a strict account of
all donations, and can make them
public for those who wish, and for
those who do not, it is enough that
God will not forget them, and I will
frequently remind Him that according
to His own promise He must reward
the hundredfold all those who in this
quiet way have helped me to do His
work.

The building itself in its majestic
proportions will furnish no little sat-
isfaction to the one who looks at it
and says: "It helped to put that there,
it is really fine, and I am proud of it."
"It is better to give than to receive."
But while much has been done much
more remains to be done, and it is not
proper to go again to those who have
given. We seek those who have not,
and ask them "why not?"

The monastery is nearly finished
and will be occupied before the next
century. There are a great many
empty rooms in that great, big build-
ing, one of which the Provincial will
occupy on and after the first of Janu-
ary, opening up thus the twentieth
century, but as he will not be there
for a century, he invites you most
cordially to call and see him and what
he has done with your liberal dona-
tion. Those who know him well need
not be assured that money never stood
and never can stand between him and
his friends, but it is amusing to see
how some people can't see you when
you are building, and, of course, al-
lows to pay for your building. To
all—rich and poor, Catholic and Pro-
testant, more especially my generous
benefactors, I extend a hearty invita-
tion to spend a day in the country—
see the new buildings, test the hospi-
tality of the good Fathers, and call
for your grateful and humble servant
in the Lord,
JOHN JOSEPH FEDIGAN, O. S. A.,
Provincial, Villanova, Del. Co., Pa.

TO BECOME PAULISTS.

Reception of Nine Young Men Into
the Novitiate.

The following men were ordained to
the diaconate at the House of Studies
of the Paulists in Washington on Dec.
22: Charles Casserly, born in Chel-
sea, made his studies at Manhattan
College; Dennis Devine, born in
Brooklyn, made his studies at Man-
hattan College; Thomas V. Moore,
born in Louisville, son of Charlotte
McIlvane Moore; Michael Carey, born
in Boston, made his studies at Bright-
on Seminary; James Glins, Boston,
made his studies at Brighton Seminary;
Ward Hunt Johnson, convert,
graduate of Hobart College, newspa-
per man at Utica.

The following young men received
the habit of the Paulists and entered
the scholasticate:
Richard Cartwright, Boston, made
his studies at St. Charles' College;
John J. Finn, Boston, son of Dr.
Finn, studied at St. Charles; W. A.
Hughes, California, St. Mary's Col-
lege of Christian Brothers; Mr. Mal-
ton, Sacramento, St. Mary's; Mr. De-
very, Dubuque, St. Joseph's College;
Mr. Roney, Dubuque, St. Joseph's Col-
lege; Mr. McMullen, New York; Mr.
O'Neill, Minnesota, and Mr. Lacey,
Cambridge, Mass.

BLESSED THE CHILDREN.

One of the most impressive recep-
tions of the whole "Anno Santo" took
place the other day, when Leo XIII.
entered St. Peter's and received the
devout homage of nearly 15,000 chil-
dren belonging to the Catholic schools
of Rome. It was the most touching
spectacle to see the little ones cheer-
ing as the Pope slowly passed up the
central aisle in their midst, pausing
every now and then to pat a curly
head or to bless a group of children
that passed forward more eagerly than

the rest, addressing kind words of
praise and encouragement to the
teachers and smiling on the surging
crowd of little ones.

Archbishop Corrigan is making
preparations for the reception into
his archdiocese of an order of priests
hitherto unknown in this neighbor-
hood, which he has invited here to
assist in the work of the church. These
priests belong to the order of Oblates
of Mary Immaculate. Their special
work is that of helping parish priests
in their labors, when such assistance
is required, and in attending to gen-
eral missionary work in the diocese
to which they are attached. The Ob-
lates were organized in 1815 in Mar-
seille, France.

Rev. John Metler, rector of the
Church of St. Joseph, Norman, Okla-
homa, has, by pontifical brief of Leo
XIII., been made a domestic prelate
of His Holiness. This makes him the
youngest monsignor in the United
States, and perhaps in many another
country, since he is only thirty years
of age.

According to cable dispatches from
Paris, the Countess Boul de Castel-
lane, formerly Miss Anna Gould, is
under instruction with one of the Pa-
ulist Fathers at the English-speak-
ing Church of Our Lady of Victories,
in preparation for her reception into
the Catholic Church. The Countess
has been most generous to Catholic
charities.

CATHOLIC NOTES.

Coventry Patmore, the poet, was a
convert in his biography, just pub-
lished, is this statement of his peace
in the faith: "From that time" (of
his reception into the Church) "now
twenty years ago, to this (1888), no
shadow of religious doubt has ever
crossed my understanding or my con-
science."

A large number of non-Catholics
attended the Apostolate Fathers' lec-
tures in St. Gabriel's, New Rochelle.
Pastors of several of the Protestant
churches were present. So large was
the congregation at the closing lecture,
that Father Kellner, the pastor, open-
ed the gate of the church, rail and
provided seats for nearly 100 persons
in the church.

Rev. Walter Elliott, C. S. P., is giv-
ing "The Missionary Outlook at the
Close of the 19th Century" in his Ad-
vocate course Sunday mornings in St.
Paul the Apostle's church, New York.
Last Sunday's subject was "The Con-
version of the Heathen Nations of the
World." The remaining subjects are
"The Conversion of the Teutonic
Nations of Europe," "The Conversion
of England," and "The Conversion of
America."

Very Rev. George P. Deshon, Pro-
vincial of the Paulists, is at the Win-
chester, Tenn., house of Fathers O'Ca-
laghan, Kennedy and Harney are con-
ducting a mission in Jacksonville,
Florida.

By the will of John Gallagher, re-
cently died in Chicago, St. Mary's
Training School for Boys at Feenan-
ville and St. Joseph's Orphan Asylum
for girls receive \$20,000.

Contrary to rumor, the Catholic
children of General Sherman were not
excluded from the will of Senator
John Sherman. They were left ten
thousand dollars, and beyond this
Teacuph Philomena Sherman, a
brother of Father Sherman, was one
of the residuary legatees.

Mrs. Mary O'Connell of New
York, who died recently, gave three
sons to the Jesuit Order. Two are
now dead, the other is professor in
the Juniorate at Frederick, Md.

The Minister of War in France has
removed from their positions as in-
structors in the military college of
St. Cyr twenty-one officers because
they were educated in Catholic in-
stitutions. In future no one will get
public office in France unless he or she
graduate from a state institution.
This bars out all persons who will
be educated in Catholic institutions.

The Jesuit Fathers have purchased
\$10,000 worth of property at Shreve-
port, La. with a view of building a
college there in place of the one de-
stroyed by fire some months ago at
Grand Coteau, La. The people of
Shreveport have generously offered to
donate them \$10,000 in cash to aid
them in their project.

The Hon. and Rev. Father Plunk-
ett C. S. R., who founded the Red-
emptorist mission at Highgate Hill,
Western Australia, died at Sydney
yesterday. He left Highgate Hill on
August 30th, to attend the Australian
Catholic Congress at Sydney. Al-
though he had reached his 77th year,
he continued with unabated zeal his
work of piety and retreats.

MISSION WORK.

Dominican Nuns and Franciscan Sis-
ters to Labor in Distant Lands.

Three more Dominican nuns, chosen
from the Albany and Saratoga
convents, will shortly leave for Ha-
vana, Cuba, to join Mother Loyola,
Sister Suso and Sister Imelda in the
great work of christianizing the col-
ored youth of those parts. A per-
manent house is being established
there under the auspices of Bishop
Sbarretti, the zealous prelate of that
Episcopal see. Among the trio of
self-sacrificing nuns who will shortly
leave for that distant shore is Sister
Rose, who for some time has been
connected with the Saratoga house.
This devoted nun and Mother Magda-
line received the offerings of the
members of St. Joseph's congregation,
Cohoes, during the masses on a re-
cent Sunday for the benefit of the
Havana mission. Sister Rose is a na-
tive of Cohoes and before entering
the religious state was known in the
world as Miss Alma Bouchard.

HIBERNIAN RIFLES.

On account of both the New Year
and Xmas falling on Tuesday, the Hi-
bernian Rifles held their two last meet-
ings on Thursday, and in many cases
the boys felt as if they were not at
home when they did not meet on Tues-
day evening, as they have been in the
habit of doing for the last twenty
years or more, and only once in every
eight years does the great feast prevent
them from meeting on their accus-
tomed evening, and then they cele-
brate the new year by a festival; but
this year the sad and unexpected death
of the newly-elected lieutenant colonel,
David Cronin of Schenectady, pre-
vented the company from having their
friends at the army as usual. The
death of Lieut. Col. Cronin of the new
regiment has cast a gloom over
the whole organization for the time
being. As a member of his com-
pany was dead he issued a call for the
members to turn out to the funeral,
and in addressing them used these
memorable words: "I will be at the
church at 10 a. m. unless I drop
dead," and in less than two hours he
was a corpse, and again is the regi-
mental statistician to record a comrade
gone, and add: "O, life, how uncer-
tain; oh, eternity, how sure!" The
funeral was one of the largest ever
held in Albany county, as 600 un-
iformed men and 40 carriages, with
the state officers, regimental band and of
ficers marched ten miles to leave at
least our faithful comrade and loyal
Hibernian. Eternal rest in peace,
grant, O, God, to the soul of the faith-
ful departed. The commissioned of-
ficers of the Rifles have been ordered
by their command to draft resolutions
and forward them to the bereaved
company of the late colonel and his
sorrowing family.

The company is making an effort to
have an officer on the colonel's staff,
and it is possible that the name of C.
J. Dolan will be presented by Capt.
Quinlan for a staff office.

THE GUESSING CONTEST.

William R. Merriman, director of
census, has officially notified the Press
Publishing Association of Detroit,
Mich., that the population of the
United States and territories is 76,-
061,128.

The awards in the contest were made
Thursday, December 27th, at the
Central Savings Bank, Detroit, Mich.,
by the committee consisting of the
Hon. Wm. C. Maybury, Mayor of
Detroit; Hon. Joseph W. Donovan
and Hon. Morse Rohbert, Judges of
the Wayne Circuit court.

George Moham, jr., of Pittsburgh,
Pa., whose guess was 76,061,126, gets
the first prize of \$15,000, and W. A.
McLaughlin, Detroit, Mich., whose
guess was 76,061,131, receives \$5,-
000. W. J. Harrison, Tuscola, Mich.,
whose guess was 76,061,120, gets
\$1,000. The full list of 1,000 prize
winners can be seen at THE JOURNAL
office. We are sorry to announce that
none of our readers were successful,
although several were very close. All
the successful estimators guessed within
the figures 76,036,735 to 76,085,533.

AVON.

The new century was ushered in St.
Agnes' church with midnight mass. The
altar was tastefully decorated with holly,
poinsettias and cut flowers. Messe Solen-
nelle, mass in E flat, by William Dressler,
was sung by the newly organized choir. At
the offertory the Adagio of Beethoven was
sung with violin and organ accompaniment.
At the close the Te Deum was sung by the full
choir with violin and organ accompaniment.
Organist, Sr. M. De Sales; violon-
cello, R. Malin; P. Jenkins and Miss Flone-
gan.

A mission given by two of the Paulist
Fathers will open in St. Agnes' church on
Sunday, Jan. 20th, and close Jan. 27th.

At a meeting of Council 84, C. R. & B.
A. held on Wednesday evening, Dec. 26th,
1900 the following officers were elected for
the coming year: President H. H. O'Con-
nor; first vice president, Mrs. Margaret
Brennan; second vice president, Mrs. Anna
Brennan; recording secretary, Mrs. Anna F.
Archibald; financial secretary, Mrs. Anna
O'Connell; treasurer, Mrs. Sarah J. Tighe;
marshal, Mrs. Mary Sander; guard, Mrs.
Maria Cooney; trustees, P. C. Gleason, Mrs.
Elizabeth O'Brien Miss Ellen Ryan. The
installation of officers will take place Jan.
9th, at which time two members will be
initiated.

The funeral of Daniel Collins, an old
resident of this place was held from St. Ag-
nes' church Saturday morning, Dec. 29th,
at 10 o'clock. Rev. Father Curran officiated.

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GEORGE G. HAARFORD, Photographer.

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