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A CONTRAST IN CATHOLIC FAMILIES.

There is undoubtedly a striking contrast between true Catholic families and those that are not truly Catholic...

How different is the truly Catholic family. The moment you enter the room you say: "This is certainly a Catholic household."

The children are obedient, unselfish, united and devoted to each other's happiness. They do not have to go abroad for a constant amusement.

They are not long-faced, straight-faced and over-dense in their deportment. They are cheerful, light-hearted and gay on occasions and ready for innocent games and amusements.

Such people are not only well fortified for the troubles and trials of life, but what is of far greater consequence, they are prepared to meet the grim messenger, death, with calmness and composure...

Persons of the recent discussion of the secret of the presence of a minister of God in the sick room, the following passage from the story of "The Doctor" is the American Ecumenical Review is timely: "And when seated from his wretched pallet he found in him (as aged priest in a low city parish) drew on his dingy shoes and murmured: 'What poor old man is this?' and when the light came along the

essed humanity and some sleepless patients caught the light of his holy face, and murmured: 'God bless you!' and when he came to the couch of the dying and saw the happy look creep into the wistful, eager face that now turned to death tranquilly...

Within five years, Father Walsh has built four new churches in Nebraska—at Norfolk, Battle Creek, Neligh and Tilden. That in Tilden was dedicated on a recent Sunday.

Two thousand schismatics who went out of the Catholic fold several years ago, during the trouble at Goa, Ceylon, a fortnight ago returned to the faith in a body. It is believed a number more will follow.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY GHOST

The New Motherhouse of the Order Blessed at West Dubuque, Ia. The mother house of the Sisters of the Holy Ghost, which has been erected immediately north of St. Ambrose's Church, West Dubuque, Ia., was blessed by Archbishop Keane...

The late Archbishop Hennessy was the founder of the order of the Sisters of the Holy Ghost, an order that was near and dear to his heart, and for which he made ample provision in his will.

Little did Archbishop Keane then dream that the providence of God intended him to guide the steps of the young institute which his Grace encouraged Archbishop Hennessy to establish. The good work was formally started Sept. 7, 1890.

"In this age, when the spirit of error is trying to make people believe that their life is only like that of the beasts of the field, the Church, guided by the hand of God, turns the attention of her children, perhaps more especially than at any previous time, to the interior of supernatural life of their souls, of which the Holy Ghost is the author."

It will bring happiness to many to learn that the Jesuit missionaries in the Hawaiian Islands are meeting with great success. Fathers Marshall and Ignatius Boardman, S. J., and E. A. Magevney, S. J., are, at the request of Bishop Gulstan, conducting missionary vices here.

FIVE MINUTE SERMON.

SHORT INSTRUCTIONS ON THE GOSPEL BY A REVEREND FATHER.

Gospel—St. Luke, xxi., 25-33.—Signs foretelling the Destruction of the World.

The Church at the beginning of Advent directs our attention to this Gospel to remind us of that general judgment which Christ will pronounce on the last day, for three motives referable to that judgment.

The first motive is to remind us how Jesus Christ will one day descend to earth in awful majesty to demand account of the use we have made of His graces and gifts, and to judge us according to our actions.

REDMOND McHUGH AND O'DONNELL, EDITOR OF CATHOLIC JOURNAL:

It certainly is a pleasure to read and hear of the honors conferred to the Irish envoys, Redmond, McHugh and O'Donnell, who are presenting the cause of Ireland to large audiences in many of our cities.

That single instance is proof positive that can be accomplished by the united efforts of a "weak nation," so called. The conduct of the Boers is worthy of emulation, and the Irish people can imitate them in many ways, as "England's difficulty is Ireland's opportunity."

HENRY O'CONNELL, Watkin, N. Y.

WERE REMEMBERED.

The Home for Old Ladies on Main street east Thanksgiving day was the scene of much enjoyment. A course dinner was served at which the national bird was of course the piece de resistance...

The following donations were also received: P. H. Yawman, \$50; Mrs. R. K. Dryer, Mrs. C. Jennings, Mrs. L. Jennings, Mrs. A. B. Hone, Mrs. B. Leisobing, Mrs. W. C. Barry, Mrs. W. B. Duffy, Mrs. T. J. Devine, Mrs. C. R. Barry, Mrs. C. H. Wilkin, Mr. and Mrs. T. A. O'Hare, dressed turkeys, cranberries and celery...

AN IMPOSING CEREMONY AT NAZARETH CONVENT, ROCHESTER, N. Y. November's sun has seldom, it ever, shed its golden radiance on a fairer scene than was presented at Nazareth convent chapel on the feast of the Presentation of Our Lady, November 21st.

The day was uniquely chosen for the ceremony, for, as Mary the Immaculate Queen presented herself in the temple of old, a holocaust to the Lord, so did the nine young ladies who, having completed their term of probation at the Nazareth Normal Training school, present themselves to become the betrothed brides of Christ.

At the same time eight novices, having successfully passed through their long course of seven years novitiate presented themselves for the completion of their sacrifice by making their final vows.

THE CUBAN SPY. On Tuesday evening of last week the French hall on Pleasant street was the scene of another amateur dramatic triumph when the Social Dramatic Club presented the four-act comedy-drama, "The Cuban Spy."

and received the vows of the novices. Most Rev. Dr. Clancy preached the sermon and celebrated Holy Mass.

The order of the ceremony was as follows: The hour appointed for the ceremony was 8 o'clock, but it was 8:30 when to the stirring strains of the organ playing an inspiring processional march, the bishops and priests entered the sanctuary, passing through the main aisle of the chapel.

Following is a list of the attending clergymen: Very Rev. Thomas F. Hickey, V. G., Cathedral; Very Rev. Dean McDonald, M. R., Geneva, N. Y.; Revs. P. J. Lynch, Sligo, Ireland; M. O'Dwyer, Elmira, N. Y.; J. Moriarty, Waverly, N. Y.; J. Bresnahan, Churchville, N. Y.; S. Fitzsimons, Lima, N. Y.; A. M. O'Neil and W. Gleason, Immaculate Conception church; D. Curran and J. Winter, Corpus Christi; Rev. T. A. Hendrick, St. Bridget's, Rochester; Angelo Lugero, chaplain Nazareth Normal school; George Eisler, St. Bernard's seminary; J. J. Van Ness, Holy Rosary church; E. Gefell, G. V. Burns, P. Golding and Dr. Nolan of the Cathedral; B. Gommangner, Caledonia, N. Y.; J. Dougherty, Detroit, Mich., and L. Lapham, St. Bernard's seminary.

The clergy having reached the sanctuary, the grand organ changed its tones, and the sweet notes of "Come, Thou Bride of Church," were heard, and in response thereto the nine young ladies entered, preceded by the cross bearer, Miss Minnie M. Staud, and six children, all clad in white and wearing pretty wreaths of flowers, each two bearing between them flower trimmed baskets containing the habits and veils of the new novices.

The sweet joys of the postulants, in bridal array of silken trains, filmy veils and orange blossoms, all bespoke the happy brides, and anyone not convinced of their happiness must quickly here believe it when the firm, but gentle voices so pleadingly brought the venerable bishop to admit them to the rigorous life of the novitiate.

As this band of volunteers in the army of Christ left the chapel to don the humble garb of a Sister of St. Joseph, many a head bent low to hide the tears that started unbidden to the eyes of parents and relatives, as they considered the sacrifice their loved ones were making.

The band of novices, carrying lighted tapers, now approached, led by the Rev. Mother and her assistants, and kneeling, begged to be admitted to the full membership of the order. The novices professed as follows:

Sister M. Emerita Bernhardt, Sister M. Raymond Walsh; Sister Febronius Lannan, Sister Josephine Ibbittson; Sister Irmina Clancy, Sister Clement Smith; Sister Irmina Wall, Sister Leonilla Murphy.

A reception was held during the day in the convent parlors, so that the newly professed and the novices might receive the congratulations of their parents, relatives and friends.

The sermon by Most Rev. Dr. Clancy was listened to with much attention by the immense audience that had gathered to do honor to the auspicious event.

The musical program was rendered by the convent choir, assisted by some of the pupils of the Academy.

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