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Brackett and His "Morality Bill."

Semator Edgar T Brackett, a good pious Methodist of Baratoga has introduced a hill in the state legislature, the object of which, he save, is to provide for '"teaching morality' 'in the public schools of the state.

The Saratoga statesman would insist further that "no license be issued in morality."

That's very pretty but who is to as certain and certify that teachers are "proficient in morality?"

Upon what points are they to be to govern it." examined and upon what system of morality is the new department to be based?

Is it to be the Methodist brand of morality? Or will the text for proficiency be whether the schoolma'ams bebe asked if they believe in the latest are entitled to govern it." dootrines as laid down by Brahma?

Or will a knowledge of the "Saratoga" Code of Morals'' be insisted upon as a pre-requisite for a license to teach?

Brackett is a warm admirer of Richard Canfied, that philanthropist whose hobby is teaching young millionaires the mysteries of roulette, rouge-et-noir the Lodges, and the Beveridges! bacearat and kindred games of chance

wring the very hearts blood out of right. underpaid, ill fed girls and women In short let us demonstrate to the "seeking the welfare of others?" world at large that in Rochester at

Because John D. Rockfellow puts least the Golden Rule still survives. up the price of kerosene a cent or two a gallon and collects his standard

others?"

The state legislature has been in oil dividends from the poor people of session for two months and aside from the country and then hands over one. tenth per cent of his profits to church the pernicious educational centralizaor college "seeks the welfare of the tion bill has transacted no business worth speaking of.

Procrastination.

Why is it that our high priced leg-And there's Andrew Carnegie. Of islators waste somuch time every wincourse when he hands over a few ter at Albany? Every one knows that thousand dollars to a town in order the legislature could transact all the that it may build a ' 'Carnegie library'' business it does every year inside of which will hand down to posterity the

name of the donor "seeking the wel sixty days fare of the others?" We always had an Then why don't they do it? idea that Carnegie was "tooting his It may be that the state and the

own horn" rather than hiding his legislators themselves would be better light under a bushel off if there was a wholesale clearing In our opinion Daird Herum's out of the men who have been at Almaxim "Do unto others as they would bany for a decade and more. Too do to you but do it first' more nearly long a sojourn in Albany, so it is said, represents the prevailing sentiment of does not conduce to uprightness of to day than that high sounding one purpose or strengthening of moral enunciated by Rev. Dr. Holmes. fibre

Sauce for the Goose, Etc.

Speaking in Chicago on Washing Episcopal church, in Pittsburg, basan ton's birthday, former Secretary Elihu

appreciation of the fitness of things. Root said that ' there was no constitu-Commenting upon an announcement tional government in Columbia; that no government of law protected the that grand opera is to be given in to teachers unless they are proficient people of Panama and their interests that city during holy week. Mr Ferris

against the will of an arbitrary and said: "In no other city in the United foreign power," that "Panama was States could they draw enough audi entitled to be free' and that "the lath- ences at that season to make the per

mus was theirs and they were entitled formances pay." He went on: "I would as soon think of attending

Paraphrasing: "There is no con-grand opera with father and mother stitutional government in Ireland; no lying dead at my home as to attend on government of law protects the people Good Friday, and the fact that the of Ireland and their interests against management can fill the house at any the will of an arbitrary and foreign other time in Holy Week is a source power;"Ireland is entitled to be free." of shame not only to the Episcopalians lieve in infant baptism? Or will they oTheir country is their's and they but to all the church going population of Pittsburg "

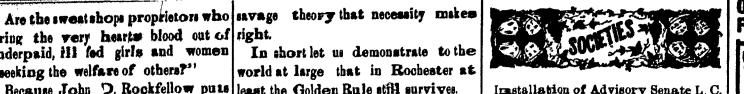
Christian Sentimemt

Rev Dr D. L. Ferris of Calvary

Then, suppose, a proposition was If all the ministers would follow | big fire last week and offered his made that the United States intervene suit these greedy theatrs magnates to prevent England landing troops to would soon find that it would be to put down an Irish uprising with the their advantage to close their play-It is well-known that Senator intention of proclaiming Ireland a house during Holy Week, at least.

Who, Indeed.

Mr. Taft says: "The Filipino peo ple as a people, have breathed in through their educated leaders the



A. took place Monday, Feb.22. The ollowing officers were installed by Irs_Burke, past president of the Senate: Chancellor, Mrs. Burke; president, Mrs. Pierce: 1st vice pres., Miss O'Connor : 2nd vice pres., Mrs. Albrecht: rec. sec. , Mrs. Murphy; fin. sec., Mrs. O'Hara; treas., Miss Sullivan; marshal, Mrs. Webber; guard, Mrs. Quinn; reader, Mrs. Heuther : executive committee, Mrs Savard. Mises McLaughlin, Mrs. Cunningham, Irs_ Kennedy, Mrs. Kreig. Next meeting will be held March 28. remch Hall. All members are expect

UNION CLUB.

d to be present.

A lecture and musicale was given at thec-lub rooms Thursday evening and the following program was rendered: Se lections, Malone's Orchestra, piano solo, Miss Alice C. Connors; reading from "The Christian", Miss Hughes; vocal iolo, "The Jewel Song,"Miss Pearl Keenan. accompanied by Miss Gertrude Keeman: selection, Malone's Orchestra, ctrire, "Abraham Lincoln," Rev. W. R van

Fasther Rvan's lecture was a masteral presentation of the great man's life and character

EDITIOR CATHOLIC JOURNAL:

I have received the prize which was announced in last week's Journal and I sincerely thank the donor for the e ame

> Yours truly, George W. Finegan

Forty Hours Devotion.

The devotion of the "Forty Hours will be held in the churches of the hoce-se of Rochester as follows Masch 6 Fairport, Penn Yan.

Weekly Church Calendar.

Sunday March 6 Gospel, St Luke xi, 1128 St. Colette, virgin Monclay 7 - St Thomas Aquinas, doctor and confessor luesclay S – St. John of God, confessor Wednesday 9 St Frances of Rome wielow Thursday 10 The Forty Martyrs Fridesvil The Five Wounds Fast Saturday 12 -St Gregory the Great DOF 16

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and who has endowed thereby an art | ox is gored. museum in Saratoga Springs with paintings by Whistler and other high. priced artists, modern and ancient. One of Canfield's cardinal maxims is that it is no sin to fleece a rich lamb.

Would Senator Brackett ask that proficiency in the code of ethics he preaches indirectly in Saratoga by his arduous efforts to second Canfield be included in the public school curriculum?

And, finally, would he be satisfied if the Rev. Dr. Charles R. Parkhurst, Dr. Charles R. Skinner (minus the Rev.) the Rev. Minot J. Savage, the Rev. O. P. Gifford (of Buffalo endless chain and Albany lobby fame) the Hon. Richard'Canfield, the Hon. "Jim" Corbett and "Prof." James Sargent of Rochester, were the board to examine applicants for teacher's licenses and report as to their "proficiency" in the "Brackett Code of morals?"

Perhaps Brother Brackett would be better satisfied if the Hon. William most" wide open" city in the United States were added to the Board?

Credulous.

In a recent lecture in Buffalo, Rev. Dr. Holmes, of Poughkeepsie, was reported as saying:

"of each man in the past. In our own age each seeks the welfare of the others."

The reverend gentleman either is over credulous or he has a queer idea of how "each seeks the welfare of the other."' Does he contend that the western cold storage cornerers who have forced up the price of eggs and all other food stuffs to such a point that many poor people are compelled to subsist on half rations "seek the welfare of the others?" Or is his idea that one member of the "cornering syndicate' is seeking the welfare of the others?

that the coal mine operators who have to our fair city. boosted up the price of the coal which

Monsignor O'Hare's Advice. Monsignor P. F. O'Hare of New York, does not believe that honor to

St. Patrick does not need to go so far as dances on the evening of March 17th. Here is the way he talked to his congregation last Sunday:

What a howl would go up from the

Indeed, it makes a difference whose

Hays, the Tafts, the Choates, the Roots,

republic?

"We all know that the Irish societies get up a ball for St. Patrick's night. Well, now, I don't think that the proper and dignified way to honor St. Patrick during Lent. It would be more in keeping with our Catholic spirit and teaching to have some other form of entertainment, such as a lec ture, the rendering of a programme of Irish music, or something elevating and instructive like that, and leave your ball alone for some other time. St. Patrick was in himself the embodiment of penance, and it was by his

great sufferings and acts of self-denial that so many graces were given the Barnes, Jr., who has made Albany the Irish race. We resent very properly any insults given our people on the singe, but does not our conduct very

often, such as is manifested at ballson St. Patrick's night, give our enemies opportunities of saying things that bring the blush of shame to the cheeks of intelligent Irishmen? I hope in the "Personal welfare was the outlook name of God, you will take this advice in the spirit in which it is given, a spirit to respect yourselves, your religion and your patron saint.

Lesson We Should Learn.

Last week Rochester was visited by one of the worst fires in its history in point of loss to property.

This week rising phoenix like from the ashes, work is already begun on buildings to replace the burned ones. American activity and energy does not rest idle long even under adverse conditions which might discourage more phlegmatic people.

Let us all act in concert to repair Would Dr. Holmes have us believe as best each one may, the damage done

If some of the employees, who are God placed in the earth for the benefit out of a place owe us money we should of all mankind, so that its use by the be lenient. If some of the firms which extremely poor is well nigh prohibit- were burned out wish to rent quarters ed, were 'seeking the welfare of the which we own, we should not advance rents to an exorbitant rate on the United States.

inspiration of liberty and free government."

Pertinently, a contemporary commente:"From whom did the educated eaders'get their education?"

Certainly not from "El Americanos.

Wonder why it was that Secretary of the Treasury Shaw thought it necessary to insist that newspaper men must be excluded from the hall while he wastalking to the bankersof New Jersey the other night.

Whatever faults Mark Hanna may have possessed he was a ''square man'' and always fought in the open. There are few living politicians of whom this can be said, trut hfully.

A French translator of President Roosevelt's works appended a foot note that the Golden Rule was one of the Aphorisus at tributed to Pythagoras. No wonder the French atheists are so eager to crush out the Christian schools.

General Wood will not have much lifficulty to secure confirmation at the hands of the United States Senate now, we fancy.

The New York "Sun" has it that diamonds are now computed by the ton in America. A contemporary adds "And to think that those precious gems are doomed to sparkle on so many unclean hands!"

Last Monday was Washington's birthday but no flower was paraded in the button holes of admiring country men.

The "Rev. What's His Name?" who came over here to throw down and uproot the ritualistic wing of the Protestant Episcopal Church, preached a Sunday or so ago to a handful of New York reporters most of whom fell asleep. Bad as ritualistic Episcopalians are they may not be spoken of in the same breath as the "low church bigots."

It cannot be possible that after our proolamation of strict neutrality in the Russim-Japanese war that the American government will allow a "regiment of rough riders to be drilled and recruited for Japan" in the

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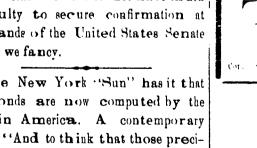
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