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Catholics Honored.

Official appointments have just been announced by the executive committee of the National Fraternal Congress.

The Catholic organizations recognized and their committee representatives follow: C. M. B. A.—Supreme Trustee Rev. M. J. Kean, chaplain of the Congress...

We Were There

State Historian Hugh Hastings has just issued a volume which is of more than passing interest. It is entitled "New York and the War with Spain"

A glance through the book shows that Catholics were not wanting in patriotism because the New York state troops were made up of volunteers, men who went to the front at the call of the president.

The Sixty-ninth New York was known as "The Irish Regiment." Commanded by Colonel Edward Duffy and captained by Lynch, McCrystal, Plunket, O'Brien, Griffin, Duffy, Devlin, Healy, McCarthy and Barron, the regiment presented so soldierly an appearance that it won compliments even from the regular army officers.

Then we must not forget Captain John Aloysius Quigley of Auburn, who performed his work well until he was called to his last reward. Exposure and other hardships incident upon camp life led up to an attack of typhoid fever which his enfeebled constitution was unable to resist...

There is one unpleasant page in the book. The Episcopal chaplain of the Seventy-first Regiment writing about some Catholic members of his regiment who sought and obtained permission to attend mass celebrated by the Catholic chaplain of the sixty-ninth regiment, "It was observed on both occasions that a member proclaimed themselves Catholics who gave no other evidence that they were such."

This illustrates well the Journal's oft-repeated contention that "Good Catholics make good American citizens."

Pass This Bill. One of the things the Fifty-eighth Congress should do before adjournment is to pass the bill introduced at the last session by Hon. Michael E. Driscoll of Syracuse, to erect in the city of Washington a statue to the memory of Commodore Jack Barry of Revolutionary fame.

There should be no opposition to this tardy recognition of the Father of the American navy "Saucy Jack Barry."

Shame

Just before the Exposition closed a young Filipino soldier took an American girl to a theatre in St. Louis. Before the two had reached their seats a storm of hisses rent the air.

This is a sample of the much vaunted Southern chivalry. It is also a fine illustration of American feeling toward our "Filipino brothers."

Turn About

Regarding Filipino students brought to America to be educated at the expense of the Government, Secretary Taft has instructed Professor William A. Sutherland that

"Where the Government invites a pupil seven thousand miles from home for education it is in loco parentis and it becomes its duty to see that he is surrounded by those religious influences he had at home, and which he and his parents may wish continued."

Commenting upon the foregoing an esteemed contemporary says with great force that:

"This is eminently just, but why should not the same excellent doctrine apply to the education of youth in the United States at the expense of the State? Is not the Government in New York State or City in loco parentis in regard to the students whose education it takes charge of, and is it not its duty, as much as in the case of the Filipinos, to see or at least to permit, that they may be surrounded by the religious influences they have at home and which their parents wish continued?"

Hard Hit. Eh?

A local contemporary, published not a hundred miles from Rochester, must be hard hit when it belches forth such elegant phrases and such conclusive arguments as "idiotic jabber" and "brayings of a jackass."

Such ebullitions of bad temper, because of a mild reproof administered in the best of temper and with the kindest of intentions, do not tend to elevate the common cause, brother.

Duns Acotus.

Information comes from Rome that great efforts are to be made to promote as soon as possible the canonization of the Venerable Duns Acotus, one of the greatest minds that Ireland has given to the church.

The movement comes at an especially appropriate and favorable moment. When Duns Acotus died six hundred years ago, the true meaning of the Immaculate Conception was not as clear as it is to-day; but the "Subtle Doctor" as the holy Irish Franciscan friar was called, defended the doctrine against all comers—even against the Anglican Doctor, St. Thomas Aquinas himself.

All Alike.

Rev. R. J. Campbell, a London Protestant clergyman, is credited with the following sage observation:

"The worker does not work for the work's sake, but for the pay's sake, and his principal aim is to work as little as possible and get as much as possible, both in money and leisure."

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