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AUBURN.
The funeral of William Ryan, who was killed in Buffalo last week, was held Saturday morning from St. Mary's church. The flowers were many and beautiful.
The Ladies Aid Society extends their vote of thanks to the many people who assisted in making their recent ball a success.
The retreat at St. Mary's church is being well attended each night. The women's mission closed last Sunday and the men's will close to-morrow. During next week the retreat will be for non-Catholics. Each member of the parish is requested to bring at least one person who is outside the faith. It is expected that a large crowd will turn out to hear the eloquent preachers. During the mission there has been a number of persons received into the church who have been brought up Catholics but never received the sacraments outside of baptism.
To-morrow will be palm Sunday and at each of the churches the usual supply of palm will be distributed at the late masses.

DANVILLE.
Mr. John Allen of Groveland, is seriously ill.
Next Sunday the Holy Name Society and the Rosary, Altar and Scapular Society will receive holy communion.
Danville Council No. 785, K. of C., will receive holy communion April 16, at St. Mary's church.
Groveland Sunday is postponed from the fourth Sunday to the fifth Sunday of the month.
Miss Helen M. Brogan of Sodas High school has been enjoying a week's vacation with her mother Mrs. M. Brogan.
Rev. Father Dann celebrated an anniversary high mass of requiem Saturday for Michael Burke.
Mrs. Margaret O'Hare has been visiting friends in Elmira.
St. Mary's and St. Patrick's school will have Easter vacation beginning Wednesday April 19 and continuing to April 20.

CANANDAIGUA.
Walter Stewart, Andrew McIntyre and Joseph Phillips passed 100 per cent. in history in the recent Regents' examinations.
Great sympathy is felt throughout the parish for John H. McCormack and his six little ones in the loss of a devoted wife and mother. Mrs. McCormack was 31 years of age and the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Fulham, both of whom survive. She was kind, thoughtful and loving, and the large concourse of friends at her funeral Monday morning attested the deep sense of loss and grief experienced by all.
The boys' society, the Young Defenders, will receive holy communion next Sunday.
Friday afternoon Mrs. A. A. Sage of Rochester, representing the Humane Society, gave a stereopticon talk to the children of our school on kindness to our brute companions.
The anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Torrance McIntyre will be observed Tuesday, and the month's mind of Mrs. Mary Hogan Thursday.
The Rev. William Gleason, M. R. of St. Mary's, Rochester, preached here Wednesday evening.
Announcement has been made of the post-paschal nuptials of Dr. Richard J. Kenna and Christine A. Bowlan.

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COOK OPERA HOUSE.
The bill of vaudeville announced for next week at the Cook Opera House will present a number of names famous in vaudeville. The headliner will be the mystery Dida a woman produced from nowhere. She comes to life in a tank of water. The most wonderful illusion of the season. Tom Nawn & Co. will be seen. Tom is a favorite Irish comedian. Jiu-Jitsu, Japanese muscle breaking and the rest of the bill will contain more well known actors.
On Monday afternoon, April 24, the Cook Opera House will begin its summer season. Caroline Franklin will be leading woman, and Bert Lyttel, leading man. The opening play will be "Prince Otto."


NATIONAL THEATRE.
Lewis Morrison has won a unique position by his magnificent interpretation of Mephisto in "Faust." In the forthcoming elaborate production of this classic at the National Theatre next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, with but a single matinee on Wednesday, Lewis Morrison himself, will illustrate this splendid conception of the evil red habiliments of Satan. The fire, force and declamatory powers of this great actor, insure a fine performance.

BAKER THEATRE.
There is no limit to what a criminal will do to be best illustrated in Lillian Mortimer's latest play "Girl of the Streets" which comes to the Baker Theatre the first half of next week with daily bargain matinees. In preparing the necessary material for the production, Lillian Mortimer the author, obtained the assistance of a member of the detective force of New York City. Two new characters are introduced to the stage, and in such a form as to be very interesting.

On Saturday, April 23rd, the New York Central will run an Easter excursion to Boston, Springfield, Palm-er, Worcester and South Framingham, Mass., at rate of \$10.00 for round trip tickets good returning within ten days. No more appropriate place could be selected to spend Easter than Boston. The old historical churches will have special Easter music and decorations. Boston has more to offer the visitor than most any other city on the continent. In point of historical interest it has no peer, the observation car which makes the "Tour of Boston," passes two hundred points of interest; this trip covers thirty miles. The Boston theatres will have special attractions Easter week.

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THE CHURCH IN ITALY
INCREASING ACTIVITY IN SOCIAL AND POLITICAL WORK.
The Importance and Significance of the New Movement—To Wage War on Socialism and to Defend the Social Christian Order.
The increasing activity of the Catholic Church in social work, doing for the sake of the Church what the Socialists are doing for the sake of Socialism, is the subject of an interesting article in the Jesuit organ, the Civiltà Cattolica of Rome, a translated synopsis of which appears in Public Opinion. In short, the battle against Socialism which the Church is waging is being carried into the enemy's country, and Socialism is being fought by removing the conditions as far as possible on which Socialism flourishes.

The writer in the Civiltà Cattolica first contrasts the condition of Italy ten years ago with what the country is today, using as material for this comparison the following quotation from Zola: "Italy, which has remained immobile without initiative in the past is now reduced to silence at the feet of the Holy See." "These words of Zola," the writer continues, "clearly indicate the contempt which public men meted out to the Italian Catholic movement a few years ago. Today, however, our economic and social work with the people, our increasing influence in the administrative elections and the results obtained by our first entrance into the general elections have modified the opinion of the public. Even the most inveterate enemies of clericalism are now compelled to render homage to the movement and to recognize the importance and the significance of the work. A few years ago we were despised. Now we are respected and feared."

The modified conditions of the present have compelled us to enter, work, move and organize on the basis of the present social struggle. This is the cause of our activity and the source of our strength in the public life of Italy today. In proportion as Socialism during the past few years has increased in our country there has arisen among all social classes an intense desire for protection against the common enemy—that is, a popular reaction has taken place which is designed to arrest, repulse and destroy the constantly increasing invasion of the Socialist propaganda. It was seen that the only force which could be successfully opposed to Socialism was that of the Catholics, and therefore the people have gladly welcomed our action on social grounds, and public opinion has seconded our propaganda and organization. If there has not been overt support, at least there has been given us the widest possible liberty of action. The abhorred Catholicism, the anti-patriotic and anti-national church has become the social Catholicism and the Christian democracy, with right to citizenship in the camp of collective interests and in the struggle of civil life.

The one thing, however, which we wish to bring into clear relief is that all parties, favorable or otherwise, in different or contrary, recognize the importance of our work in public life. "A new organization is proposed which will cover the entire country. The propaganda of the society will be affected entirely by means of lectures, publications and newspapers, while at the same time, separated from every tendency and internal division, it will follow that moderate way which has been indicated by the pontifical documents on social questions and Christian democracy. The two groups will be distinct. The one now in existence called the 'second group' will be the center of all the institutions and economic social works forged and centralized into a compact whole. The other center will be the department of campaigns, agitation, propaganda, information and instruction, the head of a great army formed of all social classes, the watchword of which will be war against Socialism and the defense of the social Christian order."

Catholic Societies.
Archbishop Moeller of Cincinnati had some words to say recently on the subject of Catholic societies. "An organization," he said, "Catholic in name and spirit, is the pride and glory of the Church and will do much to make her better known and more respected. But a society which merely flaunts the name 'Catholic' on its banner, whilst lacking the spirit and conduct alike worthy of that glorious name, brings disgrace upon the Church; you, a greater disgrace upon the Church, of a single individual, because of the greater weight and publicity of the example."

The Five Wounds.
Keep a crucifix and kiss and adore every day the five precious wounds. Let your kisses and your prayers be like pearls and precious stones, which you never tire of setting in each of the five wounds of your Savior—in the wounds of the feet for having so long and so wearily followed you, in the wound of the left hand for having so often lifted you up and carried you, in the wound of the right hand for having so often blessed and absolved you, in the wound of the Sacred Heart for being a furnace of love, always open to receive you with love and forgiveness.

The Indian School Money.
Some of our non-Catholic papers are making much stir about the Indian school money. All the Catholics want is fair play. The money belongs to the Indians, and it is a fund held by the government for them as indemnity to the original owners of the soil. It is not money raised by taxation. The Indians have asked only for their own, and President Roosevelt has considered the request a reasonable one.—Church Calendar of West Virginia.

THE HOLY BIBLE.
Attitude of the Church Toward Its Law and Study.
The attitude of the Catholic Church—that is to say of her authorities, representatives and the most intelligent exponents in her fold—toward the use and study of the Bible is this:
First.—The church holds the Scriptures (uncontaminated) in the highest reverence, as the true words of God, inspired and therefore substantially unalterable. This belief she emphasizes by her consistent and uncompromising opposition to that particular Biblical criticism which denies the Apostolic origin and divine inspiration of the New Testament and the inspiration and substantial authenticity of the Old Testament.

Second.—This reverence the church has formulated into a monumental and practical influence underlying all her doctrine and discipline from the days of Clement of Rome and Polycarp, the disciples of the evangelists, down to our own time of the pontificates of Leo XIII. and Pius X. All her theological text books from first to last in any language give pre-eminence of proof in argument for demonstration of her doctrines and the wisdom of her discipline to the words of Scripture. Her tradition, her conciliar decrees, her liturgical practices, are all subordinate to and chiefly rest upon the Bible.

Third.—The Church alone of all Christian denominations the world over maintains a daily service of the Mass and Breviary, in which the Bible is read aloud by every ordained officer in the church and by countless members of religious orders, who draw thence the spiritual sustenance for the continuance of their endless ministry or charity and instruction.
St. Peter, whom the Catholic Church honors as her first pontiff and vicar of Christ and whom the Protestant translators of the New Testament still acknowledge as titular author of the two epistles which bear his name in the English Bible, admonishes the Christian converts that they should heed what his "beloved brother Paul" had taught them. But he deems it his office likewise to warn them concerning the reading of certain parts of these writings which, though inspired by God, may become a stumbling block to the unlearned. In these instructions, prompted by the divine wisdom, there are "some things hard to be understood which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest unto their destruction." (I am quoting the words of the Protestant revised version, II Pet. III, 16, 17.) And lest they misunderstand him as though he referred only to certain writings of the apostle of the gentiles he adds the words, "As they do also with the other Scriptures." Against this misunderstanding he warns them and thus stigmatizes the danger of private interpretation by the unlearned—Rev. Father Heuser in Dolphin.

A Prophetic Cardinal.
His eminence Cardinal Lecot, archbishop of Bourdeaux, has sent a pastoral to his flock which should help to wake them from their lethargy. Pointing out that he long ago warned the secular clergy that their day of persecution would soon follow the exile of the orders, he says that day has now come. The government is preparing to destroy the diocese, the parish, the clergy, religion itself. Freemasonry has decided upon the death of the church and will shackle the liberties of the clergy in every possible way. And what should the clergy do? They must respect the established form of government as Pope Leo advised, take up the cause of the workers and the poor, support all just social reforms and by means of societies and patronage prove to the multitudes of Frenchmen indifferent in matters of religion that the church is their best friend. Thus may they be won back to the profession of Christianity. This would indeed appear to be the work which most immediately calls for the attention of the French clergy, to Christianize France a fresh.—London Catholic Opinion.

Seeing God.
Here and hereafter alike the life and health of the soul lies in seeing God, though the mode of seeing is different. Here it is through a glass darkly, in a riddle, there face to face; here in part, there wholly and perfectly; here as a child, there as one who has put away the things of a child. A little girl thinks herself absolutely happy when she nurses her mother's doll. As a woman, with a living babe at her breast, she looks back on that former bliss and laughs. In heaven she greets her child once more, and once more she wonders that she could ever have rejoiced before.

Death, Judgment, Eternity.
If we have faith let us believe that there is a death, a judgment, an eternity, and let us endeavor during the days that yet remain to us to live only for God. All things upon earth have to leave us or we have to leave them.

SHORT SERMONS.
If you have God's approval you can worry along without men's indorsement.
The servants of God are touched only exteriorly by the trials of this life. They are persecuted, but their soul is in peace.
We should give as we receive, cheerfully, quickly and without hesitation, for there is no grace in a benefit that sticks to the fingers.
My God, what can I give you in return for all you have given me? I give you all I have and am, now and always, in time and eternity.
When we are under the necessity of exposing a person's faults we should also speak of his virtues and good qualities, in order not to weaken the esteem of others for him.

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