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AROUND THE GLOBE.

Syracuse, April 14.—Monsignor J. J. Kennedy, vicar-general of the diocese of Syracuse and pastor of St. Lucy's church in this city, died yesterday afternoon of hemorrhage of the stomach, after five weeks' illness. Father Kennedy was born in the Parish of Templeburg, County Tipperary, Ireland, September 4, 1844. He came to this country when 8 years old and when young, was a cash boy in a Syracuse drygoods store. He studied at Niagara University and St. Joseph's seminary, Troy, and was ordained to the priesthood in 1869. Three years later he organized St. Lucy's parish and remained in charge until his death. He was appointed vicar general of the diocese in 1891. In 1895 he was raised to the dignity of a monsignor. He was also a Knight of the Holy Roman empire.

Archbishop Espinosa, of Buenos Ayers, is making arrangements for holding a session of the International Eucharistic Congress in that city in 1910, when the first centenary of Argentina's nationhood will be celebrated.

Bishop Blenk of Porto Rico, will be installed Archbishop of New Orleans in May.

Miss Ella May Holman, formerly a member of St. Ann's P. E. Church, New York, a graduate of the Lexington avenue school, and a convert to Catholicism, has been received as a cloistered nun under the name of Sister Mary Magdalen, in the order of St. Dominic, at the Hunts Point convent.

A dispatch from Rome to the Paris says that the Pope will this year present the Golden Rose to Princess Ena of Battenburg, King Alfonso's fiancee.

Bishop Spalding has returned to his home in Peoria, after an absence of three months in the South. His Grace is improved in health.

Comptroller Metz of New York has appointed a committee which includes the Rev. D. J. McMahon, pastor of Epiphany Church; the Rev. W. J. White, M. J. Scanlon, and Thomas M. Mulry, president of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, to consider and report upon the advisability of federating the private charities of New York with the assistance of the city government.

The bill appropriating \$50,000 for the St. Mary Industrial School passed the Maryland assembly by a vote of 51 to 25. The fight over this bill was a peculiarly bitter one, into which religious differences were interjected. The fact that the school is a Catholic institution caused the bill to be opposed by the Junior Order of American Mechanics. Many members of the House received printed protests from this order asking them to vote against the appropriation, but giving no reason.

Pope Pius X has appointed Rev. John Hagan, S. J., as head of the Vatican observatory, to succeed the late Father Rodriguez. Father Hagan was formerly director of the observatory at Georgetown College, Washington D. C. and professor of astronomy in that institution.

Governor Guild has appointed Marie Rose Collins, daughter of the late Patrick A. Collins as a member of the Massachusetts state prison commission.

Speaking of Pope Pius X, William J. Conners, proprietor of the Buffalo "Courier" has this to say: "What were your feelings on reaching his presence?" Mr. Conners was asked. "That is almost an unanswerable question. Did you ever stand at a distance from a mighty snow-capped mountain? If you ever did you know what the feeling is. In the presence of Pius X there is an indescribable something which compels the visitor to get down on his knees. One cannot help it. Someone told me of a minister who made up his mind that he would not kneel but simply touch the Pope's hand and pass on. He couldn't do it. No one could do it."

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CEREMONY OF RELIGIOUS RECEPTION

FIFTEEN YOUNG WOMEN ENTER ORDER OF SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH.

The ceremony of religious reception and profession took place Tuesday morning at Nazareth Convent, Frank and Jay streets. The chapel a bower of Easter loveliness, was filled to its utmost capacity by the relatives and friends of the sisters who made their profession, and the young ladies who were invested with the habit of the Sisters of St. Joseph.

Rt. Rev. Bishop McQuaid officiated assisted by Rev. Jas. A. Hickey, pastor of Holy Apostles' church, and Rev. Louis Edelman, professor of St. Andrew's seminary.

The young ladies who received the habit are, Miss Agnes Welch, who will be called in religion Sister Mary Alfonsa; Miss Josephine Okoniewska, Sister Mary Flaviana; Miss Mary McNicholas, Sister Mary Scholastica; Miss Mary Farrell; Sister Mary Margaret; Miss Jane Enright, Sister Clara Marie; Miss Helen Devaney, Sister Mary Veronica; Miss Angeliqne Bohomo, Sister Teresa Vincent; Miss Julia Dwyer, Sister Mary Benita; Miss Elizabeth Kehoe, Sister Saint Gabriel; Miss Catherine Slatery, Sister Mary Theodora; Miss Margaret Gilmartin, Sister Mary Lucinda; Miss Catharine Doran, Sister Mary Esther; Miss Caroline Doran, Sister Mary St. John; Miss Mabel Rowan, Sister Alice Marie; Miss Anna Duffy, Sister Mary Cosmas.

The sisters who made their final vows were Sister Agneta Fagan, Sister Lauretine Konath, Sister Philippa Reddington and Sister Carmelita Ryan. The following sisters made their first vows: Sister Anita Newmeyer, Sister Theophilla Hojka, Sister Geremeta Gallery, Sister Edwin Quinn, Sister Sylvia Quinn, Sister Stanislaus Pappocro, Sister St. Anne Murphy, Sister Alodia Edmunds, Sister Unnilo Edmunds, Sister Inesilla Stakes, Sister Linus Kaczmarek.

Miss Anna Hart acted as cross-bearer, little Margaret Creegan as flower girl, and the following young ladies as maids of honor: Roselle Dwyer, Gertrude Woodcock, Harriette Vay, Clara Panly, Ella Powers and Alice Lowengouth.

After the reception and profession of the sisters, Bishop McQuaid addressed the young sisters in words of advice and encouragement in the higher life of the vocation to which they have been called.

Our Agent.

Mr. Herman will next week call on subscribers in Canandaigua, Geneva and Auburn.

AUBURN.

The members of St. Marys choir will give a minstrel and dance at Music hall on May 1st for the benefit of the choir fund of the church. An elaborate first part will open the festivities of the evening in which Auburn's best talent will take part. The soloist will comprise the best in the city and the end men will be Auburn's premier artists in black face. The affair is under the direction of Messrs. Hanlon and Murphy of the choir.

The new parish hall of St. Alouystus church will be formally opened on Tuesday evening by a large reception given by the choir of the church. The hall and building is one of the finest in the city and comprises recreation rooms, game rooms and meeting room for the different societies of the church. The date of the opening was to be on Easter Monday but owing to the fire which destroyed part of the building it had to be postponed until Tuesday. The reception will take the form of a dancing party and as the sale of tickets is large a big attendance is sure to greet the opening.

The fair for the benefit of the St. Hyacinth church will be opened in music hall to night and continue one week. This is the first fair of the Polish Father in this city. The young pastor, success and from the list of donations already received it is evident that it will be a success. The merchants of the city have given their earnest support for which he is thankful.

Schools will be re-opened on Monday for the final session of the school year. Word has been received from Rev. William Mulhern that he arrived in Rome safely and had an audience with Pope Pius.

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SISTERS OF MERCY

SEVERAL NOVICES RECEIVED INTO THE ORDER.

Easter Monday morning at eight o'clock five postulants were received as novices into the congregation of the Sisters of Mercy, in South St., Rochester, N. Y. Following are the novices: Miss Dorothy Doyle of Corning, in religion, Sister Mary Isidoro; Miss Helena Sheehan of Elmira, Sister M. Clemeth; Miss Teresa B. Murphy of Auburn, in religion, Sister Mary Veronica; Miss Rose Macken of Hornellsville, in religion, Sister M. Agatha; Miss Lauretta Healy of Hornellsville, in religion, Sister M. Geraldine. Rt. Rev. T. F. Hickey, coadjutor bishop of Rochester officiated, assisted by Rev. William Gleason of St. Mary's church, and Rev. Jeremiah Maley of Elmira. After the impressive ceremony of the reception of the new novices, mass was celebrated by Bishop Hickey. Seated in the sanctuary were the Rev. Fr. Rawlinson and Gleason of St. Mary's church; Rev. Jeremiah Maley of Elmira; Father Payne of Charlotte, Rev. P. J. McArdle of Auburn, N. Y., Rev. Andrew V. Byrne of Immaculate Conception, city, and Edward Byrne of St. Bernard's Seminary, and Mr. W. C. Schimmel and J. F. X. Murphy of St. Andrew's Seminary. The altars of the chapel were banked with out flowers, plants and green foliage together with the burning tapers presented a most beautiful spectacle. The Rt. Rev. Bishop after mass addressed the chosen and allotted brides of Christ, as he styled them, in a most congratulating manner. He classified them with the season of the ecclesiastical year, namely Easter time, when the risen Christ has brought the dismal and troubled Christian race into a sphere of peace and exultation. Many friends and relatives called at the convent during the day to extend their congratulations.

NATIONAL THEATRE.

An elaborate production of a new comedy melodrama, "Big Hearted Jim," by W. L. Roberts, author of "On the Bridge at Midnight" will be the attraction at the National Theatre, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 23, 24 and 25 with an unusual excellent company headed by George Klint, one of the most successful actors who has recently come into prominence. He plays a Montana Sheriff and runs the scale of human emotions in a remarkable variety of spirited scenes. The attraction at the National theatre for three nights, commencing April 26th, will be L. W. Martin's greatest spectacular revival of "Uncle Tom's Cabin," presented by an all white company of the highest stand of dramatic excellence with the grandest and most complete scenic and electrical embellishment ever given this grand old play.

CANANDAIGUA

Easter was a beautiful spring day, though cool and cloudy, and permitted a goodly attendance at the morning service. Many were noticed from out of town visiting friends and relatives. The pastor preached. A fine musical program was rendered under the direction of Miss Esther Hyde and Miss Mary Keefe at the organ. The children sang at vespers. The offering amounted to \$600.

The funeral of Mrs. Mary Keavney, Monday and was largely attended. A solemn mass was celebrated with Fathers McCabe, Dougherty and O'Loughlin as officiators of the mass.

The devotion of the Forty Hours opens here next Sunday.

School after a week vacation, opened again Wednesday morning. School collection next Sunday.

It may be noted that among the Pope's treasures is an egg he received from an English lady one Easter. The shell is made of ivory, its lining is of white satin and the yolk is a golden case containing a large ruby set in diamonds, the whole being worth upwards of \$10,000.

Jesus is Love.

Charles Wagner in the "Simple Life" says at the very heart of the Christian faith, the most sublime of its teachings, and to him who penetrates its deepest sense the most human is this: To save lost humanity the invisible God came to dwell among us, in the form of man, and willed to make himself known by this single sign: Love.

In all ages the noblest minds have been those who have penetrated beneath the surface of things and discerned the great spiritual realities. The evidence for spiritual reality must arise through the spirit of man.

RELIGION AND POLITICS.

Catholics and the High Offices in the Gift of the People.

The assumption that no Roman Catholic, however eminent or successful in American life, is available as a candidate for the presidency is again revived by the mention in Mr. Hearst's New York Journal and American of the name of Thomas F. Ryan of Virginia in connection with that office. This reference to Mr. Ryan having been provocative of objection to him on account of his religion, it would seem as though we had not been liberalized much since the days when his same objection in this same connection was made to Roger Brook Tanney. The present generation of Catholics in the east still smart at the memory of the scant courtesy accorded the Hon. Francis D. Kernan when his name was discussed for higher office than the national senate, and Catholic feeling in New York was more recently offended in the case of the late William R. Grace, whose Catholic convictions and practices were held to diminish his availability as a candidate for governor of the Empire State. There is some small toleration for Catholic ambition, however, for in limited areas largely occupied by Catholics it is gracefully conceded that minor offices may without great danger to the perpetuation of free institutions be filled by Catholics. However, when it comes to those important dignities and honors which should be the crown of distinguished service to the state and of eminent achievement in the honorable fields of competition they must, it would appear, be excluded on the ground of their religious convictions.

THE CATHOLIC MOTHER.

Her Example Exercises a Lasting Influence on Her Children.

Writing of a mother's influence on her children, the Messenger of the Sacred Heart says: "Practical Christianity is taught to childhood more by the example of the mother and her training than by learned sermons or dry catechism classes. The regular home life, the morning prayer, the hours of study, the hours of beautiful, holy amusement, the evenings at home and not on the street, the good book and the good paper, the banishment from the house of that Sunday abomination which by every device of picture and humor is destroying reverence for parents and elders and attacking the sacredness of the family, and finally, after happy talk and true mirth, the old Catholic practice of common prayer and the contented wishing of 'good night'—such in its main outlines is the mother's kingdom at work, such is the Christian home under the charge of the Christian mother. The Church has all along been anxious to help the mother in this great work. Confraternities, sodalities and various associations have been formed to instruct the mother in her duties and help her in their performance. The Church has blessed these organizations and encouraged mothers to be members of them for the practical good they accomplish and for the blessings which God conveys through them."

Tour to Los Angeles, Cal.

If contemplating a California trip call on nearest New York Central Agent and request itinerary of 24 day tour arranged to accommodate delegates and others attending Imperial Council Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, to be held at Los Angeles, May 7th-10th. The rate from Rochester for the round trip is \$185 and includes all expenses, side trips, etc. out and back except meals during the stop at Los Angeles. If one wishes to return independent, round trip ticket may be purchased for \$130, which includes all expenses, side trips, etc. up to arrival at Los Angeles with independent ticket returning via any direct route. Persons wishing to return via City of Mexico can do so for \$34.50 extra, or return via Portland and Seattle for \$12.50 extra. Obtain further information at New York Central office, 20 State St.

\$12.00 Buffalo to Chicago and return via the Nickel Plate Road. Tickets on sale April 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16th. Good returning to leave Chicago up to 9:15 p.m. train April 17th. Write or call on R. E. Payne, general agent, 291 Main St., Buffalo, N. Y.

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HELPING THE CHURCH

THE OBLIGATION TO SUPPORT OUR PRIESTS AND SCHOOLS.

All Catholics Should Be Willing to Do Their Share in This Important Duty—Obligation of Those Who Cannot Afford to Contribute.

Catholics are bound under pain of sin to contribute to the support of their pastor and of his assistants.

In this country there is the obligation likewise to contribute to the building and maintenance of church and school.

Whatever means are adopted in the parish to this end, Catholics must be willing to do their share, whether it be by paying a fixed amount of dues, pew rent, seat money or by contributing to certain collections and entertainments and making certain customary offerings in receiving the administrations of religion.

All members of the parish who have an income of their own, whether they are married or single, whether they have families or not, whether they live with their families, board or live for themselves; moreover, sons and daughters who pay their board and have the balance of their income for their own use, are bound equally as well as their parents to contribute to the support of the church, school or pastor.

Persons not able to pay the fixed dues either through continued poverty or for the time being are bound to make their circumstances known to the pastor or be considered delinquent. To neither pay nor make any excuse to the pastor is considered either pure neglect of duty, pride or obstinacy.

Parties failing both to pay for their pews or seats and to give an explanation for it should remember that they forfeit their right to them. It requires no notice on the part of the pastor to such in order that he may be justified in disposing of their pew or seat in favor of others.

Pay your dues or pew rent at the appointed time and place and see that you receive credit for it. Do not expect the pastor or any one else to carry the pew book about with him. If through neglect of these rules and through your own awkwardness you find that you have not been credited for your payment, you will have yourself to blame.

Parties unwilling to take part in church entertainments or unable to attend them should at least do their share by purchasing tickets or otherwise contributing to their object. If the character of such entertainments be not always to one's taste the object of them at least should always be.

If you have been accidentally overlooked at the regular church collection, either at one that is taken up within the church itself or at a house to house collection in the parish, bring your contribution nevertheless to the pastor or to those in charge. Do not take advantage of such an oversight when you would otherwise have contributed. Such conduct is unworthy of any one calling himself a Catholic—Catholic Citizen.

BAKER THEATRE

After all it is in comedy that the Moors Stook Company excels. This is the unanimous opinion of public, press and critics in this city and it has been expressed in many ways all season. Next week this almost universal demand for comedy will be granted and a force that sparkles and scintillates with the brilliance of its humor, one that was written by a master hand at originating fun material, will be presented by the stock company all week. It is entitled "Who Goes There?" and is by the author of those two international successes, "The Man from Mexico" and "My Friend from India." The play will be presented all next week with matinees on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday, Monday afternoon a beautiful new souvenir of Bert Lytell in character as Sherlock Holmes in three different and distinct studies, neatly autographed, will be presented to the ladies.

The Baker Summer Season

The Tivoli Musical Comedy Company, the only stock organization in existence playing at popular prices and presenting the latest and best musical comedies, with a capable company of artists of national reputation and a New York beauty chorus, will open at the Baker Theatre on Monday, May 7th, for an indefinite summer season. The company numbers forty people and is bound to cause a furore in theatre-going circles in this city. The opening bill will be "The Girl from Paris" one that will show up every member of this clever company to the best advantage. Seats will be placed on sale Monday, April 30th, and the subscription list is now open and is rapidly assuming large proportions.

Subscribe for the Journal.

Five Minute Sermon

Jesus Appears to His Disciples.

We must know, says St. Augustine that God can do many things which we cannot understand. As Jesus while yet mortal could walk on the water without sinking, and as He was able without being seen or touched to pass among those who wished to cast Him from the precipice and to stone Him in the temple so after His glorious resurrection He could pass through closed doors and enter the room without difficulty. All is explained by the power of Christ, true God and true man.

As our senses are the doors of the soul, we infer that when these senses are closed to things of the world Jesus will enter into our souls and say: "Peace be to you." Let us, then, close our eyes in order not to see the vanities of the world, our ears not to hear them spoken of, and our lips in order not to speak useless and evil words, and Jesus will come into our hearts and announce peace to us.

We also can enjoy that peace if, with the grace of God obtained through Christ, we study to keep in peace with God, by avoiding sin; in peace with our neighbor, by loving him with true charity and suffering with patience his defects; and in peace with ourselves, by being contented with our condition in life, and limiting the desires of our heart.

Play for Benefit of Sick Poor.

"Men, Maids and Matchmakers," will be presented by St. Elizabeth's Roses, under the direction of Miss Katherine Burns, at St. Joseph's hall, April 23. The play will be given for the benefit of the sick poor of the city. The cast will include the following: Adele Langie, Marie Fee, Madeline McCanley, Olive Whalen, Frank J. Hughes, James J. Atkinson, William J. Carey and A. E. Tuok.

Appointed Hostess

At a meeting of the Rochester Cottage Association, which maintains a cottage at Cliff Haven on Lake Champlain, Miss Alice J. Murphy of 110 Jones Street was reappointed hostess and several improvements were authorized.

Personal.

Mr. John A. Murphy, manager of the C. Poyet and Co. of W. 38th St., New York city, attended the reception of his sister, Miss Teresa Murphy, in religion, Sr. Mary Veronica, into the congregation of the Sisters of Mercy in South St., Easter Monday morning.

Weekly Church Calendar.

Sunday April 22—Gospel, St. John, xx, 19-31—SS. Peter and Paul, apostles and martyrs.
Monday 23—St. George, martyr.
Tuesday 24—St. Francis, martyr.
Wednesday 25—St. Mark, Evangelist.
Thursday 26—SS. Cleopas and Marcellinus, apostles and martyrs.
Friday 27—St. Turibius, bishop and confessor.
Saturday 28—St. Paul of the Cross.

Forty Hours.

The devotion of the "Forty Hours," will be held in the churches of the diocese of Rochester as follows:
April 23—Palmyra, East Branch, Canandaigua.

Cook Opera House.

Next week, starting Monday, April 23rd, at the Cook Opera House, the following five acts, which have never been seen here before, will be given: Emmett, Corrigan & Co. in "The Card Party"; Annie May Abbott, "Little Georgia Magnet," a scientific phenomena; Ferreros instrumental, with the musical dog; Diamond and Smith, songs, illustrated with moving pictures; Hathawa and Siegel, excellent dancers. The following extra features and old favorites will also be seen: Hill and Sylviani, world's best bicyclists; Avery and Hart, colored comedians; Paul Barnes, parody singer. A matinee will be given every day.

Personally Conducted Tours

On April 30th, the New York Central Lines offer a selection of comprehensive and educational personally conducted tours covering the Grand Canyon, principal California and Pacific Coast points, Portland, Seattle, the Canadian Rockies, Yellowstone Park, the Colorado Mountains, Salt Lake, etc., at prices ranging from \$132 to \$275. For itinerary write to Milton C. Roach, Asst. General Passenger Agent, 1216 Broadway, New York City.