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## Education

The Catholic Journal this week presents to the Catholics of the diocese of Rochester its annual educational issue giving the names of the graduates of the several Catholic schools in Rochester.

As in years past, the Catholics of Rochester have no cause to blush for their schools even when comparisons made with the secular schools, which are supported lavishly even extravagantly, from the public treasury.

When the unprecedentedly large graduate classes from the Immaculate Conception and Cathedral schools, the splendid showing made by the Cathedral High School and Nazareth Academy for girls, the five perfect marks attained in the State Regents' tests by graduates of Corpus Christi parochial school, the capture of the Mechanics Institute scholarship by a pupil of St. Peter and Paul's after competition with pupils of all the public schools when all these are taken into consideration, should we ask why Catholics of Rochester are so proud of their educational institutions or wonder that Catholic bishops all over the country are modeling their parochial school system on that built up by the late lamented Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid and which will be maintained and added to by his predecessor, Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Hickey.

Even if Catholics are called upon to support their own schools in addition to paying their proportionate share of maintenance of the public schools, the double outlay is well worth the sacrifice even in the quality of the secular education received by our children in the Catholic schools.

## Lean Hard

In the course of a recent address to his graduating class President Thwing of the Western Reserve University, made these significant statements:

I speak to many who are members of the great Holy Roman Catholic Church called Roman because of its place on the banks of the Tiber River but called Catholic because it is universal belonging to all. But also I speak to some who are members of no communion of the Church. But to you all I wish to say that religion is the mightiest resource for the soul of man. In the blessed Catholic Church religion stands for life's great center and life's widest circumference. Of it make the most. Lean back hard upon the great truths of that blessed religion. As your hands are eager in performing the duties that are given you to do, let your heart and your mind confide as true daughters in the blessed truths and loyalties of that great God-giving, man-receiving institution of the race.

## Damnably

Referring to the comic supplements in the Sunday editions of the New York papers as "damnably sheets," Rev. P. H. Casey, assistant pastor of the Jesuit Church of St. Ignace Loyola, in New York City, recently urged his parishioners to give more support to the Catholic press and less to secular papers.

"In every Catholic family," said Father Casey, "there should be at least one Catholic paper weekly. There should be no objection on the score of expense. Cannot a man abstain from one drink a week and bring home to his family a good newspaper? The Catholic paper is a real missionary in every home in which it is received. What the daily papers report is in the main correct, but it is what they omit that gives us grounds for the accusation of unfairness. What I call a conspiracy of silence will be termed a policy of silence by others, but that we are not being treated fairly is certain."

## Champlain

In the midst of pomp and splendor, accompaniment to pageant and

speech-making, it was fitting that the Champlain tercentary did not forget the part played by the Catholic Church in the discovery of the northern part of this Continent. Champlain was a loyal son of Holy Mother Church, so were his associates. They were accompanied by loyal Catholic priests.

So it was but fitting that Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop Ireland, Archbishop Farley, and Catholic dignitaries from all over the United States and Canada were included in the celebration.

President Taft, too, added interest to the occasion by the liberal words he spoke. Religious tolerance, he said, had grown immeasurably in the last fifty years. Referring to his own visit to the Vatican as a qualification of the United States representative of the United States government, Mr. Taft said, with truth, that such a happening fifty years ago would not have been tolerated by the American people but could have been interpreted as a fatal subservience of the United States Government to the Pope.

Yes, it is to be noted with satisfaction that religious toleration is on the increase. It is equally true that the Catholic Church is the main bulwark of the United States against Socialism and Anarchy. Therefore, it were well for the country if the Catholic Church were given still greater support.

## Revolting

Repulsive as the subject, yet the murder of Elsie Sigel points a moral. White women of tender years, and of mature years as well, have no business coming in close association with Oriental men. These latter, even if not of lax morals, are unreasonable chaps who are not permitted to mingle with women at home as Americans do with their women, and trouble is likely to result.

If missionary work is necessary among the Orientals by all means should be employed and women should be sent to the rear. Elsie Sigel's mother should have kept her away from the Orientals instead of encouraging her to persist in intimacy with them. The same may be said of mothers who permit their daughters to do settlement work among foreigners of any nationality. Most of these foreign-lamented Bishop Bernard J. McQuaid merely to learn English under pleasant circumstances and surroundings, and to absorb as much as possible of the emoluments which these well-meaning but not well-informed persons are wont to give out.

It may as well be understood from the start that the only women whom the Orientals respect, and even they are not always exempt, are the Catholic religious. Lay women they look upon as fair prey.

## Porto Rico

In a recent issue the Outlook gives some interesting facts regarding Porto Rico. The President tells us clearly and forcibly because with absolutely judicial calmness the story of America's ten years of occupation. It has not only turned over to the Insular Government all the income from Federal taxation, but has also put out of its own treasury the cost of the local army, the revenue vessels, the lighthouse service, the coast surveys, the harbor improvements, the marine hospital support, the post-office deficit, the weather bureau and the upkeep of the agricultural experiment stations. It has appropriated \$200,000 out of the Federal treasury for the relief of Porto Ricans impoverished by the hurricane.

It goes on to mention other beneficent actions on the part of the Insular Government, its schools, maintained at a cost of a million dollars a year, the grading of its roads, the banishment of small-pox and measles from the island. It changed the trade balance from \$12,500,000 against Porto Rico to \$2,500,000 in its favor. It increased land values from \$30,000,000 to \$100,000,000.

To all these commercial advantages came the additional peace and security. Religion is freer than ever. The little cliques of banditti who formerly terrorized the practical Christian have had to yield before a law which guaranteed freedom of worship. The trouble makers saw their names under the shadow of the American flag, hence their desire to show animosity and to hinder as far as possible the operations of a Government which owes its stability to American tutelage. The Porto Ricans as a people recognize all this, and the mass of the people is heartily in accord with the intentions of the Government at Washington.

## Editorial Notes

The Catholic Journal wishes bon voyage to Revs. A. M. O'Neill and William Gleeson on their European visit. Both are zealous priests and have richly earned their brief respite from parochial work.

## AUBURN N. Y.

The funeral of the late George Howard Otis was held from the home of the family on Monday morning.

The home was filled with mourners and friends of the deceased. The death of the youngster was sad because the result of an accident of the Fourth of July, when he shot himself in the hand and tetanus developed and lockjaw killed him. He was a bright youngster of eight years and beloved by the neighborhood. The funeral was held from St. Mary's Church at 9:30 at which time the large church was well filled with friends of the family. Burial was in St. Joseph Cemetery.

So many recall when Bishop Thomas F. Hickey made a visit to Kings Ferry on Sunday night to bless the new Stations of the Cross that have been placed in the church, Rev. J. B. Doran, who has had charge of this church for the past year, has made a wonderful success of his work. He has a joint parish with St. Leo where improvements also are being made. Not so in the Catholic churches. They are open 365 days a year.

## Three Priests Transferred

Further diocesan changes made by Bishop Hickey which involve the transfer of several priests have been announced. The changes are effective at once. Rev. John J. Donohue, who has been assistant pastor of St. Bridget's Church, Gorham, Street, for five years, is made assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, Henrietta.

The vacancy at St. Bridget's Church will probably not be filled for the present. It is understood that one of the professors at St. Bernard's Seminary will be assigned to N. Y. July 5th after a long and painful illness.

She leaves to mourn her loss besides her husband three sons: William H. Hornell is made assistant pastor of St. Ann's Church, Henrietta, one daughter Mrs. Mary Collins of Rush, eight grandchildren two brothers and one sister.

Mrs. Rita was born in County Kerry, Ireland, 69 years ago coming to this country at the age of 12 years and has since resided in the town of Rush and Henrietta. The funeral was held from St. Joseph's Church, East Rush, Thursday morning with solemn high mass respectively of the two churches. Rev. M. J. Cloney was celebrant with Rev. J. P. Brophy of St. Monica's, Rochester, deacon and Rev. J. O'Brien of St. Augustine's, Rochester, subdeacon assisted by William Killarkey and John Napier, students of St. Bernard's Seminary, Rochester.

## IN MEMORIAM

The Cafeterians of Mary of St. Mary's Church at a special meeting of the Executive Committee held Monday evening, July 12, adopted the following resolutions on the death of Miss Rose Nier.

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God in His Infinite Wisdom to remove from our midst our dear friend and beloved associate Rose Nier;

Resolved, That we extend our sincere sympathy to the afflicted family and be it so.

Resolved, That we pray for the happy repose of her soul and be it so.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of the deceased to be spread upon the minutes of our society and also inserted in the Catholic Journal.

Signed:

Miss Guise McCourt  
Irene Calhoun  
Miss Gertrude Gaughan

## At a regular meeting of Branch 119 of M. B. A. the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to send the angel of Death to take from our brother Robert M. Smith;

Resolved, that we sincerely condole with the family of our brother in his severe affliction and trust they will be enabled with Christian resignation to bear their loss, which an all-wise Providence has inflicted upon them.

Resolved, That these resolutions be embodied in the Branch records, a copy sent to the bereaved family and published in the Catholic Journal.

John J. McGuire, President.  
T. J. Lynan, Sec. Secy.  
Committee

## BAKED THEATER

With its success and popularity increasing each week the Lytell Company now occupies a position in the dramatic field never before reached by a similar organization in this city commencing its fifth week. Mr. Lytell and his associate players will be seen in Henry V. Edmond's noted drama, "When We Were Twenty-One" in which Nat Goodwin and Maxine Elliott toured the country for two seasons with notable success.

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## John B. McGonegal

For 26 years John B. McGonegal has acted as Chief Deputy and clerk in the office of the Superintendent of the Town. He was born in the town of Irondequoit, Monroe County, N. Y., August 4th, 1857, and moved to this city with his parents when 13 years of age.

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