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Another Anti-Catholic Lecturer.

Who Finds It Profitable to Speak Against Church.

Among those who have found it of benefit to themselves to migrate through the country attacking the Catholic Church at all their stopping points is a certain "lecturer" by the name of "Billy Parker," who has recently put in his appearance in the South, along with William Black, the man killed a short time ago in Marshall, Texas. At the time of Black's death Parker filled out the dates which had been arranged for the man from Bellaire, making violent attacks upon the Church and the priesthood.

The Central Bureau of the Central Verein has been noting the work of Parker for some time and has been endeavoring ever since his appearance last year to obtain some information in his regard. Up to the present no such information could be secured, as he seemed to have excited no special attention in the vicinities from which he had purported to come. A few days ago, however the desired record of "Billy" came at least in part from his place of residence, Oil City, Pa. The story of his past is as follows:

"We have made inquiries about this man and learn that he came here from Du Bois, Pa., about two or three years ago; he had there worked in a mine. They say he is a Scotchman and before going to Du Bois lived in Boston, Mass.

"During his stay in Oil City he was never looked upon as an anti-Catholic lecturer, but was leader here among the Socialists. For reasons unknown, but upon the most reliable authority, we know that he was expelled from the local organization and is prohibited from lecturing under any Socialistic auspices in the State of Pennsylvania. The sole reason Parker chose to turn anti-Catholic lecturer was for the money there was in it. He has been in the city for the past week but has not lectured. We heard that he intends leaving soon but do not know his destination."

So Parker for some reason, no doubt a sufficient one, was expelled from the local organization of the Socialist Party and prohibited from lecturing in Pennsylvania under their auspices. At this juncture, having lost all hope of making money in that way, he seized upon the opportunity offered by the anti-Catholic movement to become a lecturer against the "Roman menace." It is of this stuff that these enemies of the Church are made. Disgraced among those with whom they had chosen to resort, they turn to this movement of bigotry and hatred knowing full well that they will find willing dupes there. Is it not about time that those non-Catholic's who are allowing themselves to be deceived by these knaves should wake up to the ridiculous part which they, poor mortals, are playing in this affair?

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The second convention of church musicians—the Society of St. Gregory—will be held in Baltimore from April 6th to the 8th, inclusive. The president is the Very Rev. E. R. Dyer. Cardinal Gibbons will preside at the opening Solemn Mass, and Archbishop Keane will preach the opening sermon. Its session will be held in St. Mary's Seminary.

Sister Mary Rose Mullen, of the Visitation Convent, Washington, recently celebrated the 60th anniversary of her entrance into the cloister.

St. Mary's Church at Chilton, Wis., was destroyed by fire a few days ago. Loss $40,000.

Spring Flowering Bulbs

The suggestion of spring is best conveyed by the flowering bulbs at Neun's. You will find rare kinds of tulips, narcisus, hyacinths, lillies of the valley, etc. H. P. Neun, 9 North St., and West Main St., in Hotel Rochester. Adv.

The Playground Of The Emperors.

China is not devoid of beauty-spots in spite of the stories of floods, monsoons and rugged barreness that come to us so often. After all it is the land of the lotus and its ideal nooks have been utilized by the Emperors and by the bonzes for their palaces and temples. This clipping from an exchange describes a charming district near Peking.

"The land between Peking and Wo Fo Szu has been aptly called the Playground of the Emperors, and such it truly has been. The road passes the grounds of the old Summer Palace, destroyed by French and British in 1860 as punishment for injuries inflicted upon certain foreign representatives. The place must have been a dream of beauty. Hundreds of acres were covered with buildings, bridges, pagodas, lagoons, trees, gardens, etc.

"Near this is the new Summer Palace, built since 1860. Farther on is the Jade Fountain, whose large springs feed the streams that flow through the summer palace and on to Peking. These are inclosed by a stone wall several miles long. Within the inclosure are three pagodas, as well as walks and smaller buildings. One of these pagodas, built of solid rock, is a gem. But alas! during the Boxer year troops quartered here defaced the building badly by destroying the carvings around the base.

"Wo Fo Szu means 'the sleeping Buddha,' and the temple contains the wooden figures of a mamoth Buddha. Near by is the Pi Yun Szu, or 'Green Cloud Temple.' It is made of beautiful white stone, with five pagodas on its roof. A mile or two farther on is the old deer park of the Manchu emperors, which has suffered the fate of the summer palace. The stone wall, running over mountains and through valleys, now incloses only ruins.

Knights of Columbus.

The Inter-City Bowling Association of Olean, New York, announces their annual bowling tournament to be held on the Knights of Columbus alleys from April 14-24 inclusive.

This tournament promises to be larger and better than any other tournament previously held in Southwestern New York and Northern Pennsylvania.

Notices have been sent out to all the surrounding towns and cities within a radius of one hundred miles.

A unique feature of this tournament, and one which we feel will arouse interest is that not one cent of the entrance fees is to be deducted for any expense whatever, therefore, 100 per cent of such fees will be returned to the bowlers in cash prized. We want you with us. We will try to make your visit to Olean both pleasant and profitable. Entries close April 10.

For entry blanks and further information bowlers are requested to write: Roy Ehrhardt, Sec'y., Inter-City Bowling Asociation, Olean, New York, care of Knights of Columbus Club.

A Catholic colony of thirty Austro-Hungarian families has been established near La Junta, Colo., under the auspices of the Catholic Colonization Society. Fifteen hundred acres have been taken over by the society for this colony.

Nearly half of the population of Chicago is said to be Catholic; about one-fourth of the city's public school teachers only is Catholic.

A notable conversion was made at St. Joseph's Church, Grand Junction, Colo., recently when Miss Harriett L. Weir, only daughter of Rev. O. J. Weir, an active member of the Presbyterian clergy of that city, entered the Catholic Church.

A new Catholic medical journal aims at the investigation of the relationship between medical practice and Catholic theology.

From a painting by P. Deschwanden

He Is Risen

Poor Outlook For Canton Mission.

The outlook for the Canton mission is not too bright, according to the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception. A letter received from their community says:

"With the existing state of affairs, when we cannot but realize that 'Satan is going about like a roaring lion seeking whom he can devour,' China is hesitating between neutrality and war. Many reports are current but we await their confirmation.

Already the mission field mourns the loss of a great number of her missionaries, recalled to fight for their country. The funds which heretofore aided so largely in sustaining the missions are no longer forthcoming from the great European centres. Therefore, in behalf of the aged and infirm, in behalf of the orphans and foundlings—the suffering of all ages, we beg you to do what you can to interest people in the present urgent necessities of the workers in the mission fields. In and around Canton the summer floods have meant a rice harvest lost. Everything is very dear and prices still rising."

We have been able to send a donation to Bishop Everaerts, O. F. M., of South Hupeh, China, and he writes in response:

"May the Lord recompense those who are holding out a helping hand in this time of distress. Conversions in China have been very numerous and it causes us much pain to find ourselves unable to sustain the schools, catechumenates and other missionary works we had established and which were so fruitful in good results."

James Potter, brother of a Methodist Episcopal clergyman, was baptized into the Church last week, by Rev. Frederick A. Upton of the Denver Cathedral.

The late Mrs. Lippe of Philadelphia left $10,000 for chimes for the Church of St. Francis de Sales.

St. Mary's Church, one of the most beautiful in the West, has been dedicated by Rt. Rev. Henry Granjon, of Tucson, Ariz. It is built in mission style and is in charge of the Franciscan Fathers.

Easter Flowers and Plants

We will have our usual large stock of Plants. Also Cut Flowers of every variety. Especially fine Violets and Roses.

H. E. Wilson, 88 E. Main St. Adv.

Foreign Mission Notes

Special Correspondence

The silver jubilee of Catholicism in Uganda, Africa, occurred on the 27th of March, this year. It is now just twenty-five years since the first four Uganda natives were baptised by Catholic missionaries. Those who know the glorious record of the Church in Uganda, will not forget what she owes to her Uganda martyrs, and the outlook for the Faith, with the amazing statistics that show today a Catholic Uganda population of 180,000, is indeed a rosy one.

From the English edition of Catholic Missions we take this clipping which eloquently expresses the condition of the Church in mission countries, and the need she has of recruits and helpers.

"Your country needs you! Nay: she cannot do without you. She wants you to help fight her battles on that pagan field where our soldiers are even now awaiting reinforcements; do not then be slack in giving your mite! Send a donation—however small—for the cause of propagating the Faith."

The Spirit of Missions, a magazine published in the interests of the Protestant Episcopal foreign missions, makes this appeal in its March number:

"Will you, in addition to your usual missionary offerings, give, during Lent if possible, or not later than June 1st, 1915, at least one day's income?" The Washington Province of this church, according to the same authority, proposes to raise $1,000,000 for the missions in 1915.

The Japanese Government states that $1,285,000 was sent to Japan in the past year for the preaching of the Gospel. Of this sum Catholics contributed $115,000 and Protestants $1,145,000. The same contrast is noticeable all over the mission world, yet Catholic apostles are securing wonderful results in spite of their limited resources.

A magnificent brick and stone church named in honor of St. Patrick, is in process of erection at Mesa avenue and Arizona street, San Antonio, Texas.

The citizens of Youngstown, O., are very proud of their splendid new St. Elizabeth Hospital.

Spring Flowers

Tulips, Hyacinths and Daffodils. H. P. Neun, 9 North St., and West Main St., in Hotel Rochester. Adv.

Souls of Saints in Bodies of Iron.

This tribute to Bishop Hayman, P. F. M., who has just been appointed Vicar Apostolic of the new vicariate formed from the eastern part of Kwangtung, China, comes from Fr. A. Doupe, P. F. M.

"Our new bishop is only forty-eight years old, yet he has worked twenty-five years in the most mountainous and remote part of this district. His theological knowledge and benevolent character made him the almost unanimous choice of his confreres, a choice which was confirmed by the Holy Father.

"We are only nineteen priests for thirty thousand Christians, but the more difficult evangelization is, the more attached to it does the true missionary become. Thus Fr. Guillaume, who is seventy-one years old, and has never returned to France during his apostolic life, would feel dissatisfied if he were sent to an easier post.

"Our older missionaries, in fact, display the souls of saints in bodies of iron. No toil, no hardship daunts them, and when we younger priests consider what they have accomplished during their long apostolate, we feel that our task is all too easy. Thanks to these pioneers our mission is now one of the most beautiful in China.

The beautiful new chapel at the corner of Walker and Bradley streets, Concord, N. H., has been opened by the celebration of Mass by Very Rev. Thomas O'Leary, V. G.

The French Academy was founded by Cardinal Richelieu in 1635. It comprises "Forty Immortals."

Father Theophilus Witzel, O. F. M., was decorated by the Emperor of Germany for distinguished valor.

The fine new academy of the Sisters of Notre Dame, in Cleveland, has a frontage of 260 by a depth of 135 feet. It has five floors and central tower.

The Papal fund for the victims of the recent earthquake amounts to about $50,000, $2.000 of which is the Pope's personal contribution.

Lillies for Easter

We grow them in large quantities also Azaleas, Rhododendrons, Hyacinths, etc., in all sizes. We have everything in Flowers and plants. Get our prices. Rochester Floral Co., 255 Main St. East. Adv.

News From Ireland

P. Hill, ... Ballymena, ... ferred to London on his ... ment to the position of ... C. McHenry, Belfast, and ... Johnson, son of Mr. J. ... J. P. Ballymena, has been ... ferred on promotion to ...

Rhoda McKavanagh, ... months-old child of Mr. ... McKavanagh, Ballyoddan, ... Laurencetown, was ... death on the 11th inst. ... temporarily absence of ... er.

On February 15 ... hospital ... Matthew Whelan, ... ton street, Dublin, ... the late Thomas and ... Whelan, Leighlinbridge, ...

The body of Michael ..., farmer, of Ballymore, ... land, who was ... ple of days, has been ... from the Queen's ... Midleton. He attended ... fair on the day of his ... ance.

On February 28, two ... Katie and Hannah O'... Youghal, died from burns ... through the blouse of the ... becoming ignited.

On the occasion of his ... ment on pension, John ..., former teacher of ... (local ... an address by the ... tional Teachers' ... presentation, was ... O'Sullivan, ... sociation.

The dead body of ... James Fagan, ... by on the ... Dublin ...

On February ... Cathedral, Dun... Father Lawrence ... John, Christian ... town, was ... eldest daughter ... St. Patrick's ...

John Wall, ... Balla, ... was found ... ary 19, in ... where he was ... was well known ... having taken a ... the Land, Nationalist ... Irish League. ... ser, with Mr. Farrell, ... in some famous ... also an envoy to ... National cause. ...

Miss O'Connell (... Cecilia, daughter ... Charles O'Connell, ... cousin of Most Rev. Dr. ... ran, and Miss Tormey (... Mary Bernard), ... messan, have been professed ... the Mercy Convent, ... Rev. Dr. Gaughran presided.

The death occurred ... 13, at the Meath county ... Navan, of Mary, wife of ... McIvor, Loganstown, Trim.

A marriage was celebrated in St. Mary's, Castleblayney (... nuptial Mass), by Rev. ... Cullinan, C. C., between ... MacMahon, merchant, Castleblayney, and Bridget Willis, ... ter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Willis, Corracloughan, Castleblayney.

Roscommon

The death has taken place of Mrs. James Duffy, Lavagh.

Sligo

The Belmullet Rural Council have, on a division, appointed Mr. Gallagher clerk of works in connection with their laborers' cottage scheme.

Tipperary.

The Sarsfield club, Clonmel, passed a resolution expressing regret at the death of Daniel Murphy, an esteemed member of the club. Deceased, a native of Cork, was clerk in the office of McKenzie & Skehan, solicitors, Clonmel.

Tyrone.

It is expected that electric lights will be installed in the little village of Gortin, near New-townsteward, before next winter.