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Bishop Colton

It was with deepest regret that the Catholics of Rochester and the entire state, heard the news of the death of Bishop Charles Henry Colton, of the Diocese of Buffalo.

This was not to be, however. The Almighty had ordained that another was to have that pleasure. Bishop Colton's life work was done.

May the soul of the third saintly Bishop of Buffalo rest in peace!

Ignorance.

Whilome may sympathize with the New York city authorities in their dislike to paying a state tax, nevertheless New York has no more right to complain than have the up-state localities.

Again—New York city complains of state appropriations for canal and highway purposes, also for charitable institutions. Who is more responsible for these outlays than New York? Who forced the \$150,000,000 barge canal upon the state?

Acting Mayor McAneny, of New York, has the sublime nerve to suggest to Governor Whitman that the up-state localities, not the state, be compelled to pay for the barge canal.

when the state, by reason of New York city forcing through the barge canal, has bisected a city or village, then that locality should be compelled to pay for bridges to transact everyday business!

If New York city is unwilling to pay her share of the expense, it should refrain in future from forcing upon the state at large expensive statewide improvements which benefit only New York city.

After all, who is more selfish or more provincial than the average New Yorker?

Reno's Joy.

This scathing indictment of Reno for re-establishing its "easy divorce law" is found in the editorial columns of "America":

There is joy in Reno, not over one sinner doing penance, but over many committing crimes. Wine is flowing, cafes have special features scaling up from the familiar cabaret to serpentine novelties and hoola hoola dances.

These abandoned fellows dared to insist on a year's residence as a condition of divorce. Since then virtue has languished in Reno. There had always been 500 in the divorce colony.

San Francisco is to have a handsome new St. Monica church. The parish is but four years old. It will be 60x130 feet.

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Italian Immigrants' Letter to American Bishops Concerning Their Care

The latest number of the "Acta Apostolicae Sedis" contains a letter of the Sacred Consistorial Congregation addressed to the Bishops of America concerning care for Italian immigrants.

It recounts the great difficulties encountered in the spiritual care of Italians, mainly owing to their ignorance of any language but their own and the need for priests knowing the Italian language and even dialects.

But the appeal which Pope Benedict XV sent out to the Italian Bishops for funds for that college not having been responded to owing to war and earthquake, His Holiness recommends the good cause to the American hierarchy.

Catholic News

This year's estimated Catholic population of the Archdiocese of Philadelphia is 700,000.

The Cathedral Club of Brooklyn will erect a "clubhouse," to cost about \$100,000.

This year an Indian Congress will be held on the 75th anniversary of Father De Smet.

Out of a total population of 542,674, the diocese of Providence, R. I., has 275,000 Catholics.

The Sacred Heart Church, at Fort Dodge, Iowa, will cost \$100,000.

In Washington a third church for Catholic negroes has been dedicated.

Eleven hundred Brooklyn policemen attended the Vespers at St. Joseph's Church on the 11th inst.

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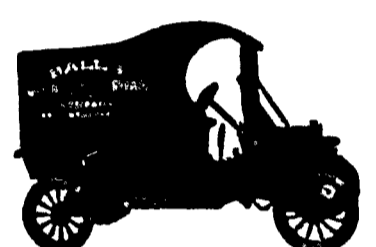
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