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The Catholic Summer School

Governor Whitman Visits Cliff Haven.

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Cliff Haven, N. Y., August 13.

Last Monday evening the Catholic Summer School was honored by a visit from His Excellency Charles S. Whitman, Governor of New York State. The Governor in an informal talk lasting almost an hour held an immense audience motionless and interested by the depth of his knowledge in diplomatic and legislative affairs and the agreeable, often humorous manner of its presentation. Governor Whitman's address was one of the most notable listed on the remarkable lecture course. The distinguished guest was introduced to the audience by Very Rev. John P. Chidwick, D. D., President of the Summer School.

The Catholic Summer School is one organization that does not leave its patrons severely alone in the task of entertaining themselves. The Chapel for the soul, the golf links, tennis courts, bathing beach and ball field for the body, the friendly intercourse, the badinage, and the home like atmosphere of the cottages to satisfy the demands of man's social nature, the lecture hall for the improvement of the mind—all these the mother school takes to provide for the welfare of her children. But all these require co-operation on the part of the guests. The implements of recreation, so to speak, are at hand; it only remains for the guests to use them. But what solicitous loving mother is content to watch her children amusing themselves without yearning to do something that would rest them and at the same time provide the entertainment they need. Just such a mother is the Summer School, and just so does she endeavor to act towards those who commit themselves to her care. For there are times when the most energetic will tire of sport which demands muscular exertion when the mind is too weary to exert the co-operative activity required for even an interesting lecture. And at these times when personal and active initiative is at its ebb, the Summer School recognizes the expectant, receptive mood of her patrons, and acts accordingly. Occasions such as this are admirably met at Cliff Haven. There are few institutions in the country which provide dramatic and musical diversion equal to that which the Summer School offers. The foundation is laid by the engagement of a dramatic company for the season; the members of which are recruited from the ranks of New York's best talent. The company consists this season of Mr. George Lund who has been under the Lee-Schubert management for the last six seasons, Mr. Hugh Jeffrey, Miss Victoria Montgomery and Miss Viola Savoy. In addition to the regular weekly performance each season a special entertainment is given at which some noted actor is seen. Last Saturday evening Summer School patrons enjoyed an unusual treat. Mr. Andrew Mack, the noted Irish comedian most kindly donated his services to the Summer School and appeared in a telling dramatic sketch entitled "The Ragged Edge." In addition to the dramatics, band concerts, piano and vocal recitals galore come at just the right moment to give diversity to the entertainment of the guests.

The lectures of the past week were in accordance with the high standard of past courses. One morning course was given by Padriac Colum, Lecturer on English Literature in St. Edna's College, Editor, Dramatic Critic, poet and playwright. Mr. Colum's subject was one that is a rich mine hitherto comparatively unexplored—"Irish Literature." Rev. Walter Drum, S. J., delivered the second morning course of lectures, taking as his subject one that appeals to all Catholics, namely "The Bible." The learned and reverend lecturer is Profes-

or of Hebrew and Sacred Scripture at the Jesuit College of Higher Studies, Woodstock, Md. This was the Alumnae Auxiliary Association course. The evening lectures were given by Governor Whitman on Monday evening; by Hon. Thomas W. Churchill, L. L. D., President of the Board of Education of New York City, while on Thursday evening Mr. Thomas E. Murray, vice-president and General Manager of the New York Edison Company will give an illustrated lecture on "New York, the Great Electrical Metropolis."

On Wednesday morning at 8 o'clock, an anniversary mass was said for deceased life members and benefactors of the Summer School.

On Thursday, Friday and Saturday a Triduum in preparation for the Feast of the Assumption was held.

An American Priest Is Architect and Builder

Bishop O'Doherty writes from Zamboanga, P. I.: "Please accept my sincere thanks for the Mass intentions you kindly sent for the needy priests of this diocese."

"We have the posts of a Catholic hospital standing, of which an American priest is architect, contractor and carpenter—Father Truemper. Without him I could not even think of undertaking such a work; even as it is, we have not sufficient money to finish it, but we shall go as far as Almighty God allows us. There are several Protestant hospitals in the diocese and some of them openly proselytizing."

"I venture to recommend the work to the friends of the Propagation of the Faith."

Catholic Children In India

It is generally conceded that the ingenuousness, modest deportment and cheerfulness of the children of our Catholic schools in India present a striking contrast to the haughty bearing, hypocrisy and sad faces of the pagan children of the country. Often, however, particularly among the young pagans of the Brahmin caste, one sees a frank and pleasing countenance. But beneath this attractive appearance is the soul unallured or is it disfigured by sin?

The children of our mission schools in India are bright, intelligent and playful as the majority of the children of western lands, and, perhaps, they excel little Americans and Europeans in obedience.

East Indian children if kept at home without training, later, unfortunately, become a prey to the corrupting influences they encounter on almost every side. In our Catholic schools on the contrary, they are taught not only human knowledge but are instructed upon their duties to God. They are trained to be faithful to the requirements of a Christian life, to become soldiers of Christ. They exercise an excellent influence by their good example.

C. R. & B. A., To Hold Picnic

The annual reunion and basket picnic of the Catholic Relief and Beneficiary Association will be held at the Newport House next Wednesday, August 13th, under the auspices of the Central Council. There will be games and sports as well as dancing all afternoon.

In charge of arrangements are: M. D. Kavanaugh, Cl. 18; E. J. Ryan, Cl. 23; Mrs. Margt. Kernan, Cl. 25; Joseph Lake, Cl. 27; F. Hery, Cl. 39; Miss C. Weisenborn, Cl. 40; Mrs. Mary Selbert, Cl. 52; John E. Maier, Cl. 59; Mrs. Mrs. J. Webber, Cl. 66; John A. Haman, Cl. 74; Mrs. Wm. Brueckel, Cl. 75 and Mrs. L. Ribstein, Cl. 96.

—Some people worry so much that if they took a sea voyage they wouldn't sleep for fear the ocean would dry up and leave them stranded in the mud.

Colonel Gorgas and the Single Tax.

Noted Sanitary Officer Declares For Radical Doctrines.

Evidence of Search for Solution of Social Problems.

The work of Colonel William Crawford Gorgas, Surgeon General of the United States Army, in the direction of the sanitary campaign carried on in the Panama Canal zone is known today throughout the world. The application of scientific methods to the work of sanitation led to a great reduction in the mortality of that district. In 1904 Col. Gorgas was made Chief Sanitary officer of the Canal and in 1907 was appointed as a member of the Isthmian Canal Commission. In 1914, in recognition of his work, he was made Surgeon General with the rank of Brigadier General.

It is interesting to note that this man who is beyond doubt well versed in his particular work, should have declared himself recently in favor of the radical and unsound doctrines of Henry George. The occasion for his remarks was a meeting of single-taxers in the city of Cincinnati held at the Business Men's Club; and his address was published in pamphlet form by the Joseph Pels Fund of America, which has been established by the well-known soap manufacturer for the spreading of the single-tax propaganda. In his address Col. Gorgas said:

"Sanitation in my mind has been very closely associated with single tax. I am a single taxer, I think, because my life work has been that of sanitation. Sanitation is most needed by the class of people who would be most benefited by the single tax. That poverty was the greatest single cause of bad sanitary conditions was very early impressed upon me. If I should again go into a community, such as Cuba, or Panama, and were allowed to select only one sanitary measure, but were at the same time given power to choose from all sanitary measures, I would select that of doubling wages. This, in my case, is not altogether theory. In our tropical possessions, in Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines, Panama, the result has always come about that we have largely increased wages; the result has also come about that in all these cases we have greatly improved sanitation. At Panama, the Commission found that in order to attract labor, and keep it on the Zone, they had to increase and, within a few months, double the wages of the manual laborer. It does not take more than a moment of thought to show to you how such a measure acts and reacts. Results take place in many directions, but particularly with regard to increasing the ability of the people to live well and get better food and better clothing. While dwelling upon thoughts such as these, I came across 'Progress and Poverty'. I was greatly impressed by the theory and was soon convinced that the single tax would be the means of bringing about the sanitary conditions I so much desired, and was striving for. It was impressed upon me in a concrete form everywhere in the United States, in the tropics and particularly in Panama: the great benefit that some such scheme of taxation would confer upon sanitation."

—This statement of Col. Gorgas is but another confirmation of the fact that thinking men are seeking earnestly for some solution of the social problems which are at present so urgent. Without proper foundation in fundamentals, they often grasp at the first theory which presents itself to their view. Thus "Progress and Poverty", falling into the sanitary officer's hands just at the time that he had been awakened to the close connection between extreme poverty and poor sanitation, won him to the cause of single tax. Had he gone farther he would have seen the futility and fallacy of the doctrine. Socialists also claim to have seen the work of the Panama Canal

proof of the correctness of their contentions, and Orms in his book on the "National Guilds" quotes its evidence of the soundness of his theory.

All of these things in reality but show the great necessity for Catholics to apply themselves to the study of the social question in order, as Pope Pius so well said, "to bring forward their own propaganda." In Catholic social teachings lies the sure and sound foundation for an amelioration of present evils. It was not Col. Gorgas who discovered, for example, that poor living conditions and bad sanitation are bound up intimately with the question of poor wages. That has been recognized for long by Catholic writers on social topics. And the remedy which they propose is not bound up with such a destructive principle as single tax, but aims at raising the wages of the workers through legislation when that method fails. Catholics should hasten to bring forward their ideas on these matters; and, of course, they should first know through study what these ideas are.

C. B. of C. V.

Foreign Mission News

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The missionary spirit is the very life of the Church; it is the greatest concern of the Church; and its loss is fatal to the Church. These three points are clearly set forth in the New Testament, and the spread of Christianity in every age, in every clime, among every race, has been the result of the missionary spirit.

Religious Instruction Forbidden.

Fr. Denoux, missionary in Corea, apprises us of various measures recently taken by the Japanese government and which may have important consequences for the work of the apostolate:

"I do not know what the Propagation of the Faith will do for us this year, but have been already notified by the Holy Childhood that we shall receive only one-third of the usual allocation. The consequence will be not only to refuse any further children in the orphanage, but to return a number of those we have to some relatives, or to marry the girls who are 14 years old, whilst the ordinary age for marriage is 17. It breaks our hearts to do it, and even then it is doubtful whether we shall be able to keep open the home much longer."

"I hope that Providence will send me the means of supporting my school, which I consider far more important for the apostolate than the orphanage. We do all we can of course for the abandoned children, but our hopes are often frustrated, and furthermore we find that when those young men and women return to the world they exercise no influence whatever. Through the school not only do we teach the children, but we are also able to reach the families, and thus extend the sphere of our activity and obtain many conversions."

"The Japanese government has recently decided that religion must be separated from education. It is a deplorable measure, but why should we condemn a pagan government when it imitates the example given by so-called Christian nations in Europe and America?"

"Bible reading and religious instruction are forbidden during school hours; I hope, however, we shall not be prevented from teaching our children their religion outside of the school, otherwise all missionary work in Japan and Corea would be seriously hampered. So far the government has shown itself well disposed toward Catholic priests and Protestant ministers, and there is every reason to believe that the regime of tolerance will continue."

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REV. GEORGE ECKL, Pastor of St. Andrew's Church.

Lawn Fete at St. Andrew's

The mid-summer Lawn Fete will be held on the evenings of August 17, 18 and 19th, with an exclusive afternoon on Wednesday for children. It was reported that the women of the L. C. B. A. would hold a candy shower at the church on Friday evening, August 15, for the purpose of securing candles for the lawn fete. Refreshments will be served.

Committees in charge of the various booths have been in conference and made several new suggestions in the way of original attractions. Two feature booths are the noisy booth and farmyard booth, both unique in design and construction.

Catholic News Notes

The Very Rev. B. Bowen, D. D., O. S. A., has been elected provincial of the Irish province of the Augustinian Order. Father Bowen at the time of his appointment was prior in Drogheda, and held the office of provincial from 1907 to 1911. Previously he had been teaching theology in the Irish Augustinian novitiate.

The Right Rev. Dr. Heinrich Vollmar, Prussian army Bishop, died at Cologne on Thursday, July 8. He was born at Paderborn in 1838. As a military chaplain he went through the campaign of 1870 and received the Iron Cross of the second class. He was appointed army Bishop in 1903, receiving the titular See of Pergamon. In 1913 he retired.

The Right Rev. Monsignor McFaul, P. P., Waterside, Derry, died on July 18 at the age of 80. The deceased, who was vicar general of the Diocese of Derry, was ordained fifty-three years ago, and for thirty-four years was parish priest of Waterside.

A council of war at Barj has acquitted five monks belonging to the Dominican monastery, who were arrested in June charged with spying. The court ruled that the charge was unfounded. One of the sacristans of the Ancona Cathedral, M. Patrigani, has been acquitted of a charge that he signaled the Austrian warships during the recent bombardment of Ancona.

Cardinal Gibbons left Baltimore the other day for Southampton, L. I., where during August he will be the guest of the Rev. T. J. Leonard at the rectory of the Church of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary. The Cardinal was accompanied by Bishop O'Connell, of Richmond, Va. For several years the Cardinal has been accustomed to spend his vacation on Long Island. This year, however, will be more interesting to him, as quite a large gathering of distinguished prelates will be in the neighborhood of the place where the Cardinal will stay. Cardinal Farley of New York, and Bishop Charles E. McDonnell have cottages there and are now occupying them.

—Do not trust all who talk smoothly. Listen much and speak little. —Mgt. Benson.

News From Ireland

Williamson, who was arrested at the residence of the late Mr. J. J. Collins, was found guilty of the murder of the late Mr. J. J. Collins, and was sentenced to the gallows.

Justice Van Aken has given judgment in an action by Michael J. Cleckley, Millhar, against John J. Cleckley, Millhar, for the recovery of a sum of money.

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In St. Mary's church, the lady, before a crowded congregation, two beautiful stained glass windows, the gift of Mrs. J. J. Cleckley, of Belfast, in memory of her father and mother, were unveiled.

The band concert given at the residence of the late Mr. J. J. Collins, was a success. The collection for the relief of the famine in India, was also successful.

At the meeting of the Carrigrohilly District Council, it was unanimously resolved to purchase the Carrigrohilly Public House, and to place it in the hands of the Carrigrohilly Publicans.

At the Carrigrohilly Petty Sessions, James Corrigan, Blackrath, was on a summons by the Deputy Ranger of Carrigrohilly camp, and was fined for allowing sheep to graze on the lands. Notice of appeal was given.

Arthur Jackson, Glenlack, has been co-opted a member of the Edenderry No. 1 District Council for the Easter election division in room of Thomas Seery, who was disqualified for non-attendance.

J. J. Collins, P. L. G., Castlebar, has been appointed organizer by the Town Tenants' League executive, Dublin, for the counties of Mayo and Galway. Mr. Collins is secretary of the Castlebar branch of the Town Tenants' League.

Died.—Recently at her residence, Mountgordon, Castlebar, Mrs. Catherine Quinn, Mrs. Wynne, wife of T. A. Wynne, news agent, Castlebar.

F. W. Guy, principal teacher of the Cooby National school, Stradally, has passed the examination for the E. A. degree of the Queen's University, Belfast.

A respectable old lady, Mrs. Whelan, of Dungrove, found dead in bed recently.