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## Cardinal Manning on Catholic Education.

### Dangers of Non-Catholic Institutions Pointed Out.

#### A Lesson For Catholic Parents in America.

Within a few short weeks the school season will again be opened. Parents, who have boys and girls that have completed the high school courses and are desirous of further pursuing their studies, are no-doubt busily scanning advertisements and college catalogues for the right place to send their children. Too much care indeed cannot be given to such a decision, for in higher education, wrongly acquired, there lurks more danger than is commonly supposed, especially in this day of radical and rationalistic ideas.

Catholic parents in this country might in this respect profitably take to heart the words of the great Cardinal Manning on the dangers of non-Catholic educational institutions and on the necessity of a Catholic higher education. The ideas of the Cardinal's great contemporary and fellow-convert, John Henry Newman, on this subject, are well known; but to Manning's expressions such wide-spread attention has not been given.

In his essay on "The Work and Wants of the Catholic Church in England," originally published in the Dublin Review of July, 1863, the Cardinal takes up the arguments in regard to the establishment of a Catholic University in England, at that time the subject of much discussion. He points out in particular and with great emphasis the insidious errors which are taught in non-Catholic universities in England and which are almost inseparably connected with such places. The idea which he expresses at several times, and which is well applicable to conditions in our own country at the present day, is powerfully stated in the following paragraph:

"One copious and manifold source of danger is the anti-Catholic atmosphere—the Germanism which call it the time-spirit—or the dominant current of thought, and action which prevades the age and society in which we are born. No one wholly escapes its influence; most are deeply penetrated by it. We doubt whether it was so dangerous to Catholics before the Emancipation as it is now. In those days the direct action of persecuting laws ground down or bore down the courage of multitudes. But the alluresments of English society and English public opinion had little power. They were hostile, harassing, and repulsive. Now they are far more perilous; being bland, insidious, and seducing. Public opinion is Protestant, and Protestantism is formally opposed to the idea of a Church divinely constituted and endowed. The first principles and maxims of Catholic education—such as submission to a teaching authority, fear of error, mistrust of our own judgements—are extinct. This spirit begins in our schools, and pervades our universities, and animates the whole of English society. We cannot draw breath without inhaling it; and the effect of it is visible upon men who do not suspect themselves of any want of Catholic instinct. It has become unconscious; and what strikes and offends foreign Catholics is hardly, or not at all, perceived by those who are born in this atmosphere."

He shows in a clear cut manner how this spirit and its logical outcome, "the modern spirit of cultivated unbelief, in the form of criticism and philosophy has not only entered—but established itself (in the educational institutions), so as to be the predominant intellectual tendency of the more studious members of the Universities." At the conclusion of his work, he says: "And we cannot doubt that every year this unbelief will be more widely spread, and that the two universities will be thoroughly pervaded by it. Instead, therefore, of

implicating ourselves in a sinking wreck; it is the prudence of common-sense as well as the obligation of Catholic duty, to keep ourselves free, not only from all entanglements with it, but as far as possible from the vortex which it makes in going down. We earnestly hope that Catholics, while they manifest to their fellow-countrymen the largest social charity and the truest public fidelity, will keep themselves from all contact with the traditions of anti-Catholic society and education. We repeat again, that an education deprived of the light of faith and the guidance of the Church is essentially anti-Catholic. Here there can be no neutrality: 'He that is not for Me is against Me.' There is—but one safety for us: 'Sentire cum Ecclesia', in the whole extent of faith, discipline, worship, custom, and instincts—the most intimate and filial fidelity of intellect, heart, and will to the living voice of the Church of God." (Miscellaneous, by Henry Edward Manning, London, 1909, pp. 27-71.)

May American Catholic parents show that "prudence of common sense" and adherence to Catholic duty for which the Cardinal pleads?

### C. B. of C. V.

## A Bit of Texan Mission History.

Our own State of Texas once formed a mission territory of not a little difficulty, and it was to the Oblate Fathers that the then wilderness was confided. The pioneer missionaries of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament were brought to Texas by the first Bishop of Texas, Mgr. Odin, over sixty years ago. His diocese was the size of all France; it contained a few villages, such as Galveston, Houston, Brownsville, and San Antonio; Corpus Christi was merely a picturesque settlement. Only rattlesnakes and coyotes hid themselves where Beaumont, Kingsville and other flourishing cities now stand.

One old veteran Oblate, Rev. Father Parisot, used to ride horseback to his missions all the way from Brownsville, Texas, on the Rio Grande, to Lake Charles, La. Another worthy Oblate, Father Keralum, died of hunger in the wilderness. Another was drowned. To their successors their lives are a grand lesson of abnegation, zeal and constancy.

## Embroidery Class To Open.

It was announced at the convent of Mercy in South Street, this week, that the classes in embroidery, which are conducted each year by one of the Sisters who is noted for her fine handiwork and her skill in teaching, would open on Monday evening, September 13, and that the classes would meet thereafter on each Monday and Tuesday evening from 6 to 9 o'clock and on Saturday afternoons from 1.30 to 6 o'clock. The exhibition of handiwork by the class of last winter was held at the convent last week and attracted much attention, owing to the excellence of the work shown and the taste used in the selection of stitches and the combination of colors. These exhibitions are held each summer.

## L. C. B. A., Day at St. Ann's Home to be Held Wednesday.

The annual L. C. B. A., Day at St. Ann's Home will take place next Wednesday afternoon and evening, September 8th. Supper and luncheon will be served. A musical program will be rendered under the direction of Mrs. Louise B. Kiefer. All members of the L. C. B. A., as well as the public at large are invited to attend. Mrs. Wm. E. Staub is chairman.

A man's joys are not taken away by his conversion; they are only changed.—St. Augustine.

### Knight of Columbus.

The annual election of officers will be held at the first regular meeting in September, Monday, the 13th. Wm. F. Shafer has been nominated for Grand Knight. The noonday lunch will be resumed Thursday, September 2nd. This affords the members an excellent opportunity to meet one another and get acquainted.

At the next meeting, September 13th, Supreme delegate Jas. P. Jones will give an account of the work of the Supreme convention. Elmer O'Brien, son of Wm. H. O'Brien, of Rochester Council, has won the K. of C. Scholarship, valued at \$500, at Niagara University, in the competitive examination held on June 26th.

The Fourth Degree will be given at Syracuse, Sunday, Oct. 10th.

A very important meeting of the Assembly will be held Thursday evening, September 16th. Applications to be acted upon. Election of officers will be held that evening. A large attendance is very much desired as other business pertaining to the Degree will be considered.

## St. Salome's Church at Sea Breeze to Have Corn Roast.

St. Salome's church at Sea Breeze will hold its annual corn and sausage roast, on the afternoon and evening of Labor day, on the church grounds. Admission will be free and there will be out door vaudeville, a grocery store, candy booth, surprise board and ball-throwing game. John O'Connell is furnishing the electric light wiring for the grounds. In addition to the corn and sausage, coffee, sandwiches, candy and other food will be obtainable. A Charlie Chaplin prize contest by Sea Breeze Base Ball team will be one of the features of the carnival. The arrangements and committees are in reliable and capable hands and great success is anticipated both socially and financially.

## Permit To Erect Convent.

Application has been made to the fire marshal by St. Stanislaus Polish Catholic Church Society for a permit to construct a brick building in Norton street to be occupied as a convent. The building will cost \$12,000 and will be two stories high, 36 feet wide and 55 feet deep.

### Personal.

Raymond N. Maier, of No. 878 Clinton avenue north, has been awarded a state scholarship, and will attend Cornell University. He is 17 years old and was graduated from Cathedral High school, where he received a scholarship medal. He was associate editor of the Student.

Mgr. Abbati, O. F. M., one of the deans of the episcopacy, is dead in the ninety-sixth year of his age and the forty-second of his episcopacy. He had been seventy-three years a Friar Minor. Mgr. Abbati spent ten years as a missionary in the islands of the Aegean Sea. He was made bishop in 1873. His death occurred in Italy, where he had retired to one of the convents of his Order.

## September Weddings.

Call and see our styles of wedding invitations. The prices are very reasonable. Catholic Journal Co.

## You Can Learn Spanish

At the Rochester Business Institute Evening School this winter, if you have no knowledge of the Spanish language you can enter the beginners' class in the R. B. I. Evening School, and if you have had some instruction in Spanish you can go on with your study in an advanced class. The classes will be conducted by Mr. Miguel A. Suarez, graduate of the University of Barcelona, Spain. Ask for the evening school circular at our office in the Y. M. C. A. building, Rochester Business Institute.—Adv.

## The Catholic Summer School

### Closing Days at Cliff Haven.

(Special to The Journal)

Cliff Haven, N. Y., September 3, 1915. The twenty-fourth session of the Catholic Summer School is drawing to a close. On Friday evening, September 3d, the final exercises were held, which marked the official closing of the season. Now it remains for us to cast a retrospective gaze over the past season and survey the work that the Summer School has done. To do so, calculating, worldly minded business man the Catholic Summer School would not appeal as a financial proposition. It is the only institution of its kind which considers not itself but the good of its guests and patrons only. The institution is essentially Catholic, therefore its aim is ultimately religious; it is essentially a school, therefore its aim is educational. Spiritually its purpose is the strengthening of the bond of fellowship among the widely separated Catholics of America. Catholics who during the summer vacation are accustomed to spend their time at the ordinary seaside or mountain resort are too frequently either deprived of the opportunity of tending to their religious duties, or led to neglect them through the influence of the pleasure seeking unbelievers among whom they live. In many summer resorts there is no Catholic church or chapel, hence there is no Mass even on Sunday, no Communion, no confession, no public services of religion, which a good Catholic might attend. And so one is led into a condition of neglect in regard to religious matters, which may have its effects in one's soul, even after the summer has passed. There is no wonder too that Catholic parents are wary of sending their children to popular summer resorts where one realizes the amount of temptation to be encountered by the young man or young girl away on vacation, removed from the restraints and care of the home and from the conventionalities of community life, separated also from the corrective influence of their religion. This was the chief purpose for the institution of the Summer School, to provide a summer resort to which these Catholic parents might send their children with every assurance that their minds and bodies would be taken care of. That is the reason why thousands of Catholics, young and old, visit Cliff Haven every summer. That is the reason why every succeeding year sees the fame of the Summer School growing and spreading broadcast from Canada to South America.

The first concern of the Summer School is Catholicity, the second is education. Pleasure indulged in unreservedly tends to dissipation of mind. Those who originally planned this School bore this in mind and consequently gave much prominence to the educational side. To those to whom the intellectual is the great attraction the Summer School is a boon, for the splendid lecture course has left no field of literature, art or science untouched. To college or high school students who are under the necessity of making up lost ground in any branch whatever the Summer School extends the opportunity of private or class tutoring in surroundings where the leaven of outdoor exercise may be mingled with the solid matter of intellectual labor.

The success of the Summer School is measured not by the financial gain which it yields to the Administration of the School, that is indeed a negligible amount—but by the satisfaction that accrues to the multitudes that annually visit Cliff Haven, a satisfaction amply attested by the love and loyalty which they bear the institution. Such are the standards by which the success of the twenty-fourth session of Cliff Haven is measured, and judged by such standards the season must be proclaimed a glor-

iously successful one, with the assurance of worthy accomplishments leading an increased splendor to the dreams and hopes to be realized in the 1916 session—the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Catholic Summer School of America.

The lecture course during the tenth and last week was delivered by Professor Albert J. Carnoy, Ph. D., LL. D., of the Department of Philology, University of Louvain, who spoke on French Literature in the Middle Ages. On Monday and Tuesday evenings illustrated lectures were given by the Rev. James F. Irwin, of Brooklyn, N. Y., the subject of the first being Devotional Shrines in the United States and Canada, while the second dealt with the Patriotism of American Catholics. Thursday and Friday evenings were given to piano recitals by Miss Grace Hofheimer of New York. The family gathering on Sunday, August 23rd took the form of a reception to Major General Leonard Wood, U. S. A., who was introduced by Rev. Thomas McMillan, C. S. F., Acting President of the Summer School and Chairman of the occasion. On Saturday, August 23rd a memorial meeting was held in memory of Bishop Colton of Buffalo, and Rt. Rev. Mgr. D. J. McMahon, former President and Treasurer of the Summer School. The Rev. James F. Irwin of Brooklyn presided. Addresses and readings suitable to the occasion were given by Miss Helene T. Goessmann, Miss Katherine V. Lynch and Mr. E. J. Butler.

## Order of Alhambra.

The national convention of the Order of the Alhambra was held in Binghamton, August 23, 24 and 25. More than 150 prominent members and others from various caravans were present. Syracuse will entertain the next biennial convention of the National Order of Alhambra in 1917. Joseph P. MacSweeney of Munster Caravan was again elected to the office of visitor.



Joseph P. MacSweeney

The following officers were elected for ensuing two-year term: Supreme commander, William J. McMahon of Albany; vice supreme commander, George Reppetti of Washington, D. C.; supreme scribe, Dr. John C. Brown of Albany; supreme chamberlain, Anton B. Newbaur of Albany; supreme propagandist, Jno. T. Keough of Brooklyn; supreme captain of the bodyguard, John H. Betha of Brooklyn; viziers, Joseph P. MacSweeney of Rochester, John T. Ryan of Buffalo, Joseph P. Gleason of Brooklyn, Dr. N. J. Delahanty of Rutland, Vt., and John P. Hanley of Louisville, Ky.

## Month of the Seven Dolours.

Wednesday, September 8, Nativity of Our Lady; Tuesday, 14, Exaltation of the Cross; Wednesday, 15, Our Lady of Seven Dolours; Friday, 17, Stigmata of St. Francis; Tuesday, 21, St. Matthew the Apostle; Wednesday, 22, St. Thomas of Villanova; Wednesday, 29, St. Michael the Archangel; Thursday, 30, St. Jerome.

September 15, 17 and 18 are Ember Days.

I never knew a man in my life who could not bear another's misfortune perfectly, like a Christian.—Pope.

## News From Ireland

**Carlow.**  
Died.—At her residence, 98 Lower Gloucester street, Bridget, dearly beloved wife of Michael Martin and eldest daughter of the late Simon and Ann Doyle, Hacketstown.

**Down.**  
A respectable farmer named Denis P. Sullivan, a member of the Bantry District Council, fell off a load of hay while it was being filled on a cart and was killed instantly.

**Berry.**  
A special meeting of the Derry corporation was held recently, the mayor presiding, to consider a letter from the under secretary of Ireland asking the council if they would undertake the formation of a register for the city of persons between the ages of 15 and 95 available for government work.

**Lettinkenny.**  
Daniel Kelly, jr., Lettinkenny, has been appointed master of Lettinkenny workhouse, receiving 19 votes, William Gallagher 7 and Hugh Brown 4.

**The Down County Council** have passed a resolution expressing the opinion that the Registration Act as applied to Ireland, will be quite useless, inoperative and a waste of public money.

**At the Killarney Guardians' meeting** on the proposition of Mr. Spring, seconded by J. McGillicuddy, a resolution was passed joining in the national regret at the death of O'Donovan Rossa and concurring the G. S. & W. R. Company for their refusal to give trains so as to enable them to be present at the public funeral in Dublin.

**Miss M. Doran**, daughter of Philip Doran, Mass., who was three months ago joined the clerical staff of the Bank of Ireland at the head office in Dublin, has been now transferred, on promotion, to the Killarney branch.

**Very general regret** is felt at the death of Dr. John N. Shea, medical officer of the Callan Union, who died in a burning house in Glanmole last week. The deceased was the oldest son of the late M. Nicholas Shea, of Seven Acres, Mullinshone.

**T. Gordon Flanagan** of the Hibernian bank, Birr, has been transferred on promotion as accountant to the Wicklow branch. Mr. Flanagan is brother of P. Flanagan, clerk of Castles Union.

**Married.**—July 28, at St. Joseph's church, Terenure, by the Rev. Father Hayes, C. C., Bernard O'Beirne, Denmark street, second youngest son of the late E. O'Beirne, Cashill, Dromed, County Leitrim, to Mary, youngest daughter of Patrick Doran, Belmont Terrace, Terenure.

**Rev. P. Rice**, a native of Bellurgan North Louth, has been appointed rector of the Sacred Heart Cathedral of Superior, Wisconsin.

**News has reached Claremorris** that a young man named J. Hession of Ballygowan, who was employed at steel works in England, was accidentally killed in the course of his employment.

**Married.**—At St. Mary's Ballinrobe, by the Rev. W. Kelly, C. C., Ballinrobe, Patrick Flynn, Athlone, to Rose Ann, youngest daughter of John Meenan, relieving officer, Ballinrobe.

**John Curtis**, who was in partnership in racing with Thomas Leonard, D. L., Dunany, died recently after a brief illness.

**Sir Albert Melden** has been appointed a resident magistrate for County Meath, to be stationed at Navan.

**E. Ginn**, a native of Omagh, and postmaster at Ballyhanna, has been appointed postmaster at Newcastle, County Down.