

Around the Diocese

CORNING
William F. Hart
New Supervisor

Corning, Dec. 12.—Alderman William F. Hart was unanimously appointed supervisor from the second district of Corning at a recent meeting of the Common Council. He succeeds Frank H. Suits, who has been appointed Commissioner of Taxation and Assessment, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of H. R. Starnes. Mr. Hart has been a member of the Common Council since its organization and has served on the Finance and Public Works committees. He is a member of the Knights of Columbus and a member of the Red Cross.

GEORGE C. BERRY
Corning, Dec. 12.—George C. Berry, aged 75, was killed on Nov. 29 at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Catherine Roche, 172 Dodge Ave. Born in Millport, the son of H. C. and Catherine Berry, Mr. Berry came to Corning half a century ago. He was married July 13, 1879, to Mary Quinlan, at Watkins. They celebrated their golden wedding one year ago. Mr. Berry died early last fall. He was a member of the New York Central Railroad company. He had many fine traits of character, which made him highly respected by all who knew him. He was a faithful member of St. Vincent de Paul's Church and of the Holy Name Society of that church. Mr. Berry is survived by the following children, Mrs. Frank O'Brien, Shortsville; Mrs. William J. O'Brien, Buffalo; Mrs. William J. O'Brien, Buffalo; Mrs. John J. O'Brien, Buffalo; Mrs. Edward J. O'Brien, Buffalo; and Mrs. Francis Berry, of Corning. The best reformers the world has ever had are those who have courage on themselves. —W. H. Shaw. Living will teach you how to live better than preacher or book. —Gothel.

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DANVILLE
Priest Speaker
To Rotary Club

Danville, Dec. 12.—At the weekly luncheon meeting of the Danville Rotary Club, Tuesday, the Rev. Father Hofmeider, pastor of St. Mary's Church, was the guest speaker. By request of F. A. Owen, chairman of the Program Committee, the Reverend speaker was presented by the Rev. John E. Masseth, pastor of St. Patrick's Church, whose timely remarks reflected the pleasure of the club members in having the Rev. Father Hofmeider with them, and was an appreciation of his consent to address this group of local business and professional men and visitors. Before and after the address of unusual interest and assemblage, the club members voiced an ovation that must have indeed touched the heart of the Father Hofmeider. He was given a very cordial welcome reception by the Rotary group and sincere thanks were expressed to him at the close of his address.

Following the short prelude, in which the Reverend speaker stated his approval of the spirit of fun and good fellowship so much in evidence during the luncheon period, he referred to the "charms" and the spirit of Christmas, as related to those in unfortunate circumstances and need. He also made mention of the fact that members of the clergy, who because of their profession, are often held aloof, actually enjoy the privilege of being included in social gatherings which give opportunity for friendships and understanding, and generally deplore the apparent great distance between pulpit and pew. The Reverend Father gave his listeners a message of more serious import that concerned the very wonderful advantages that science has brought to the present generation, well exemplified by radio communication and the entertainment and information obtained thereby.

Classifying "religion" as the "greatest science of the world," Father Hofmeider spoke earnestly of its present day and every day need in the lives of all people and deplored the present and recent presentation and incident publicity accorded to religious in new forms, that seemingly dispense with the principal and very essential factor, the gracious and necessary presence of God. The Reverend speaker requested his listeners to consider the question that the apparent tendency of people to disregard the spiritual and new of society may be attributed to the consideration accorded this unfortunate and ill advised propaganda of new religious belief.

Father Hofmeider's pastorate in this community, continuing over a period of 21 years, said Rotarian Ernest E. Quirk, Editor of the Danville City Herald, has attained for him the sincere regard and friendship of the people of all denominations and the splendid results of his work in St. Mary's parish has endeared him to all members of that congregation and the praise from all others.

CANANDAIGUA
WILLIAM J. NEEDHAM
Canandaigua, Dec. 12.—William J. Needham, aged 58, died last night. He was formerly employed at a crossing watchman by the New York Central Railroad. He leaves his father, John S. of Canandaigua, sisters, Misses Katherine and Ann Needham and a half-sister, Mrs. Louise Needham, all of Canandaigua. His funeral was held in St. Mary's Church Wednesday at 9 o'clock, and many friends were present.

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Auburn, Dec. 12.—A three-day retreat for members of Court Auburn, Catholic Daughters of America, was held in Holy Family Church on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week, with the Rev. Donald Cleary, Chaplain of the Court, in charge. The attendance was excellent, and the instructions by Father Cleary were most helpful. All members were most grateful to Father Cleary for his masterly conduct of the retreat.

K. of C. Will Help
Men Obtain Jobs
Auburn, Dec. 12.—In keeping with work that is being done by the Supreme Order of the Knights of Columbus, Grand Knight Charles M. Goehring of Auburn Council, Knights of Columbus announces the appointment of an Unemployment Committee which will cooperate with Mayor Charles D. O'Brien's Unemployment Committee and other organizations and agencies now working to relieve conditions brought on by the business depression.

SOME RECENT DEATHS
Auburn, Dec. 12.—Edward R. Kelly, aged 58, died in the City Hospital Monday morning and was buried from St. Vincent's Church Wednesday morning. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Lena Eliza Kelly, one daughter, Mrs. Isabel Tuttle, Geneva, N. Y.; Mrs. L. of Gloversville, Clarence J. of Syracuse and Earl W. Rabbitow of Canandaigua.

MORAVIA
HOLY NAME SUNDAY
Moravia, Dec. 12.—Members of the Holy Name Society of St. Patrick's Church will receive the Holy Eucharist in a "body" at the 9 o'clock Mass on Sunday morning. The pastor, the Rev. E. T. Moffett, will be celebrant of the Mass.

PALMYRA
MRS. GARRETT BURNS
Palmyra, Dec. 12.—Anna D. Burns, wife of Garrett Burns, died here Sunday evening. Besides her husband, she leaves a daughter, Theresa, and a son, Owen E., of this village, two sisters, Mrs. Ella Fenwick of Rochester and Mrs. J. A. Schake of St. Louis, Mo., and a brother, Owen Duffin of Palmyra. Her funeral was held Wednesday at 9 o'clock in St. Anne's Church. Many friends were in attendance.

ELMIRA
SERGEANT-MENIHAN
Elmira, Dec. 12.—Miss Margaret Menihan, daughter of Mrs. Mary Menihan of New York Street, and Louis E. Sergeant, son of Louis H. Sergeant of Elmira, were married on Tuesday morning, November 27th, in St. Peter and Paul's Church, officiated by Rev. Father Fox. The attendants were Mrs. James Ray, sister of the bride, and Loren Anthony. After a wedding trip, Mr. and Mrs. Sergeant will make their home, at 190 Silver Street.

SOME RECENT DEATHS
Mrs. Joanna Ayers, widow of Albert Ayers, died Saturday. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Leslie Kilmer, two sons, Harry and Albert J. Ayers. Mrs. Ayers was born in Elmira and was a daughter of the late Patrick and Eliza Dolan, old-time residents on the East Side of Elmira. The funeral was held Tuesday morning in St. Patrick's Church.

The funeral of Mrs. Richard James was held Monday morning in St. Cecilia's Church, the Rev. J. A. Maley officiating. The pall bearers were Thomas Delaney, John J. Shaugnessy, Thomas Lyon, George Sheehy, William and Francis Connelly. The Altar and Rosary Societies of St. Cecilia's Church attended in a body.

BATH
MRS. GEORGE CROSS
Bath, Dec. 12.—Mrs. George Cross, aged 55 years, died Monday. She leaves the following cousins: Mrs. Edward Conley, Mrs. William Burke and Miss Jennie Murphy, all of Bath. Her funeral was held in St. Mary's Church Thursday at 9:30 o'clock and it was attended by a large number of friends.

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INDIAN BOYS GOOD SCOUTS

At our school for Sioux Indians, St. Joseph's Mission, South Dakota, fire, wind and water played havoc during the last year. The laundry was completely destroyed by fire. Only the brick foundations mark the place where the laundry stood. The priests' diningroom now serves as a laundry. Then the rear of another building was wrecked by a hurricane. The Sisters were obliged to prepare the meals in the open while emergency repairs were made at a cost of \$800. Finally, our water supply gave out. A new pump-house had to be dug in the bank of the Missouri. Fortunately, that was work our boys could help in, under direction. Right nobly they helped, digging the trench for the pipe line and for the \$9,000 gallon tank. Our Sioux boys are good scouts. They did most of the work, including the reinforcements at a great saving to the mission. But I am in debt \$1,000 for the replacement of the water system alone. There is no money to be had in the Indian country. Our poor people come to the missionary in their great poverty. So I have to look to friends like you to help me, not only in such emergencies as I have tried to point out to you, but even to buy food for the Sioux children under the food of the Sisters in our Mission school. Do not fail me. What would bring its own hardships even were conditions normal, which they are, of course, are not.

REV. HENRY HOGEBACH, S.C.J.
Father Hogeback will receive all donations sent for him if you will mention his name and address your letter to the Propagation of the Faith, Rev. Leo C. Mooney, 1035 Lincoln-Alliance Bank Building, Rochester, N. Y.

SISTERS AT AN OUTPOST
Our three devoted Sisters at the new school of Our Lady of Lourdes among the Sioux Indians of Porcupine, South Dakota, are living in the room behind the chapel. I dare not let them stay there through our long and severe Dakota winter. These zealous Sisters arrived a month ago, and since then have been doing social and educational work among the adult Indians, as well as conducting the little day school for the children. I have also found time to put out neighboring mission chapels in order for Mass on the days when the priest was expected. In their own chapel I have been able to keep the Blessed Sacrament permanently since their arrival. At that lonely outpost in the Indian country the presence of the Blessed Sacrament seems to have imparted new spiritual life and fervor to the Indians.

Change Towards Prohibition
"I have found a great change in the attitude toward prohibition since I was here before," Mr. Chesterton said. "Ten years ago many people who didn't think it wrong to take a glass of wine were for prohibition. They thought it a fine experiment and that they ought to support it. Now I find quite the opposite situation. Many people who are teetotalers personally think prohibition is a terrible thing and want it removed."

His Friend, Bernard Shaw
Mr. Chesterton sided stepped to aim a wallop at his old friend Bernard Shaw. "Now, Shaw is puritanical," he said. "Shaw has all that Walt Whitman kind of theoretical makings. He's a very serious character, like a German professor walking about in nothing but a pair of spectacles. Neither of them would like baby's milk."

He Likes America
"I didn't realize before how very real is the civic equality of America. In England the people are all kind and polite to each other, but they are all labeled according to classes. They don't belong to upper or lower classes. They are just people. That is very jolly and it is very arresting to an Englishman."

The greatest difference between the English and the Americans is that an Englishman is always wishing that people would go away and leave him to sulk in his garden, while Americans, such as I met in South Bend, seem never to want people to go away.

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