

Around the Diocese

SENECA FALLS

Veteran Employee Of Gould's Pumps

Seneca Falls, March 6.—On Tuesday morning this week the funeral of Patrick McDraw was held in St. Patrick's Church. There were many friends present, and many flowers and Mass cards were sent. He was in attendance from the point of the Gould Pump Co. Mr. McDraw was one of the oldest employees of this company, having worked for that concern for 68 consecutive years. He was widely known in the community and was held in high respect by all his friends and acquaintances.

Mr. McDraw was born in Cross Carr County, Iowa, on June 1, 1851 and came to Seneca Falls when a small child. He had since resided here. Mr. McDraw was one of the best mail carriers out of the Seneca Falls postoffice serving for four years from 1890 until 1894 when the Civil Service was inaugurated for the position. At one time he served as village treasurer and as trustee from the Fourth Ward. He leaves two daughters, Mrs. William Stanley of South Orange, N. J., and Miss Mary K. McDraw of Seneca Falls; a son, John McDraw of Seneca Falls and three grandchildren.

BATH

John Grogan Dies Suddenly At Home

Bath, March 6.—Death came suddenly on Sunday to John Grogan, aged 73 years, a well-known resident of this village. Mrs. Grogan had gone to Kingston to visit a son, and Mr. Grogan was alone at home. He was seen on Friday night, but on Sunday neighbors noticed that a newspaper delivered daily at the Grogan home still remained on the porch. An investigation was made, and Mr. Grogan was found dead in bed.

Mr. Grogan was a son of the late Lawrence Grogan. He resided here all his life and was for many years employed by the D. L. & W. Railroad. In early life he married his first wife, by whom he is survived. He also leaves a daughter, Mrs. Otto Haas of Bath, and two sons, Thomas in New York and William, an attorney, in Kingston.

He was a member of St. Mary's Church, and his funeral was held from that church, with many friends attending.

AUBURN

MRS. MARY MALYSA

Auburn, March 6.—Mrs. Mary Malysa died at her late home 29 Garrow Street, Friday afternoon after an illness of about 10 days of pneumonia. She had been a resident of the city over 20 years and was well known and well liked by all of her acquaintances. She is survived by two sons, John and Michael of this city.

Her funeral was held Monday morning in St. Peter and Paul's Church at 9 o'clock. Many friends were present at the service, and there were many flowers and Mass cards.

SOME RECENT DEATHS

Auburn, March 6.—Mrs. Catherine Burns, beloved by many friends, died in Mercy Hospital Sunday morning, aged 69 years. She was a lifelong resident of Auburn, and was well known here. Her funeral was held in Holy Family Church Wednesday morning, and was largely attended. She is survived by her husband, William J. Burns, and a nephew who lives in Philadelphia.

Many friends will mourn the death of Mrs. Katherine K. Carey, whose funeral was held in Holy Family Church on Monday morning. There was an unusually large attendance of relatives and friends, and many Mass cards and flowers. A solemn high Mass of Requiem was celebrated by Rev. John A. Conway, with Rev. Donald Cleary as deacon and Rev. Edward Smith, sub-deacon. Rev. Edward Byrne was in the sanctuary. The bearers were W. C. Jeffery, Charles Hennessy, Austin Cleary, Edward Baker, D. J. Burns and Theodore Holmes.

Besides her sister and a brother, Miss Carey is survived by an aunt, Miss Ella Korwin, who resides at the family home.

Mary Malysa was buried from St. Peter & Paul's Church Monday morning. A Requiem Mass being celebrated by Rev. J. Strotky. Many friends attended, and there were many flowers and Mass cards, evidences of the love in which she was held by her friends. Six members of the St. Peter & Paul's Society were bearers.

Friends will sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Donald Donnelly in the death Saturday of their infant son, Joseph, at the City Hospital. Interment was on Monday.

Mrs. Madeline Neher-Nolan, widow of the late James H. Nolan, died Tuesday morning at her home, 79 Standard Avenue. She had lived at Auburn all her life, and was well known and well beloved. Her funeral was held in St. John's Church, and was attended by many friends. She is survived by one daughter, Wilhelmina Nolan and son, Dr. R. L. Nolan, both of this city; one sister, Mrs. Wilhelmina Neher, and two brothers, Philip and Joseph Neher, all of Chicago.

Handball Irish Pastime

Handball originated in Ireland about 1,000 years ago, and is often considered one of the national games of that country. It is now played by more men in America than anywhere else in the world. The first scientific handball player was really developed about 1850, when William Baggs of Tipperary originated new ways of hitting the ball in curves, low drives and screw tosses. The first international match ever played was the Lawlor-Cassey match, in 1887, with the prize of \$1,000 for the best of 21 games, 10 in Cork and 11 in the United States. Lawlor won 6 games to 4 in Cork, and Cassey won 7 straight in New York. Cassey retained his title against all comers until 1900, when he retired. Since 1900 the game has developed in two separate games, a one-wall game and a four-wall game, both of which are played by amateurs in singles and doubles.

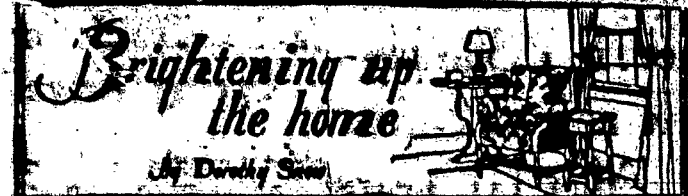
"Bobby" Burns Moments

Ayr, in Scotland, today contains very little that Burns ever saw, but he probably passed or entered many times the old inn on High street, now called the "Tan O'Shane Inn." The real "Auld" attraction there is "The Auld day birlin," the ancient cogwheel of two small rooms, built by Burns' father in 1757, which a tramcar rides takes you to in a few minutes. It is now a Burns museum and about it are the fields the plowman poet tilled and where his songs were born.

Found It Impossible to Locate Man-Eating Tree

There are undoubtedly plants which entrap and devour insects, and one from India which lures men by its odor and traps and consumes the roofer, but so one has been able to locate the existence of the "man-eating tree of Madagascar." This story was started about half a century ago by a traveler who wrote a letter about it in Europe of having witnessed a sacrificial ceremony where a woman was made a martyr, forced to meet death in the embrace of one of these trees. The story traveled around the world and persisted to such an extent that many travelers and scientists who have visited the country since have made efforts to verify the story. Dr. Ralph Linton of the Field Anthropological Expedition spent two years in Madagascar and tried to locate a man-eating tree. He encountered several persons who believed that such a thing existed, but the tree was always in some other part of the country, and he arrived at the conclusion that the story was a myth.

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Suppose, for instance, that a bedroom has several unadorned pieces of furniture. Painting them a rich, warm color, like a deep red or a blue or a purple, will do a great deal to brighten up the room. It will also give a new look to the room, and it will make the furniture look like it's new.

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Phelps Church Work Will Start On March 11th

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Prussia Long "Spruce"

According to Vitzelty "A word that has a very interesting history is spruce with its double meaning (1) 'smartly or finely dressed' and (2) 'the fir tree' known as spruce fir," writes Frank H. Vitzelty in a New York paper.

"On its face, this word does not bear any resemblance to Prussia, yet on special occasion it was the custom among our forebears to deck one's self out in the dress of other countries. Men who adopted the particular dress of Prussia were arrayed in a style to which the epithet spruce might have been applied with perfect propriety. They were arrayed after the style of Prussia, or, as it was commonly known and spoken of in those days, Spruce."

"The reason that Prussia should have been called Spruce instead of Prussia is to be attributed to the English fondness for initials, which may have been drawn, in this case, from the German name of Prussia."

"That Spruce really meant Prussia and was used instead of Pruce may be found in 'Eiers Plowman,' where we read Spruce for Pruce, although Chaucer used Pruce in his 'Canterbury Tales.' Prussia was called Spruce as late as 1614."

The New Church

The new church will set back about \$60,000 from the curb line of the old church. The old church was built in 1850, and was purchased for \$30,000 of frontage on the north side of the lot.

Joseph P. Flynn of Rochester, architect, designed the new building. It will be of Romanesque style, constructed of variegated brick, stone trimmings and a Spanish tile roof. The church will have a seating capacity of about 400, in the main auditorium, below which will be an assembly room for social functions, a kitchen and cloak room. The basement section, which will be a little larger than the one in the old church, will have entrances from both the south and north sides of the building.

In the lobby of the main entrance provision is made for erecting a statue of St. Francis, patron saint of the parish. The baptistry will be located near the main entrance. The piano will be placed on the north side of the auditorium in front, facing the side altar. It is expected the new church will be ready for occupancy by next December.

Blossoms for Danger Signal

The hibiscus is the flower which is seen everywhere in Hawaii, and it is estimated that there are about 2,000 varieties. In Honolulu varieties of flowers are to be seen at every hand. In the office of the governor there is always to be seen a group of hibiscus plants in a flower box of 200 blossoms. These are picked and arranged each day by a long-haired girl who is the gardener, and this blossom has been there every morning for many years. The hibiscus red hibiscus, which grows wild, is frequently made up of a danger signal. It is not uncommon to see a great bunch of these flowers in the street where flowers are at work on the highway. The flowers are also often seen hanging from the side of a truck with an overhanging load to warn pedestrians to keep away.

Frequent Confession is the Cause of Good

Frequent confession is the cause of good, good to the soul, because it purifies it, heals it, and confirms it in the service of God; we ought not therefore to omit confession on our feet, but go to confession first, and then to the altar afterwards, and the first will help the last.

Young Man, get \$50,000—see too hastily, but year by year—F. M. Collier in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

I need not tell you that deeds are more persuasive than words.—St. Francis Xavier.

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