THE FORTY HOURS

Adoration Services Opened at the Cathedral Yesterday.

PROCESSION OF THE SACRAMENT

At the Morning Mass—Services Continue Throughout the Day, with Several Earnest Discourses—They will Last Throughout To-day Also—One of the Most Solemn Observances in the Church Calendar—Large Attendance at all the Exercises—Notable Sermons in Other Churches Yesterday.

At St. Joseph's Cathedral yesterday morning the Forty Hours' Devotion began. This is not a fixed service, but is held, usually once a year, by appointment of the bishop. The services opened with the usual high mass at 10:30 a. m., when Rev. Father Moye preached, impressing on his hearers the importance of attending the services of this series, which continue till Tuesday. His sermon was on the uncertainty of life and the necessity of being prepared at all times to be summoned into God's presence.

The mass was followed by the Procession of the Blessed Sacrament, the bishop officiating, assisted by Rev. Father Boutlou as deacon and Rev. Father Moye as sub-deacon. At this service also Rev. Father Moye recited the Litany of the Saints. The attendance was very large, as also at vespers at 7:30 last evening. At this service Rev. Father Paquin, of Elm Grove, preached the sermon.

The masses to-day and to-morrow will commence at 6, 6:30, 7:30 and 8 o'clock.

The services will close Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Father Mauritius, of St. Alphonsus church, will be celebrant at the high mass and officiate at the closing benediction.

CONDITIONS OF DISCIPLESHIP.

Rev. Dr. Riker's Sermon at Fourth Street M. E. Church, Last Evening.

Rev. Dr. A. B. Riker preached a very interesting sermon at the Fourth steeet M. E. church last evening, and every seat in the large auditorium was occupied. His subject was: "The Conditions of Discipleship." His text was taken from Matthew VI-24: "If any man will come after me let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me." Dr. Riker's main contention was that if anyone desired to follow Christ there must be an unconditional surrender to His will. There could be no half service. The Greek word for deny, meant something more than mere denial; its significance was that "one must deny himself utterly." The requirements of discipleship were absolute. True Christian character and Christian life stood for implicit obedience to the Lord's will. No man could serve two masters. This was a fact, an incontrovertible truth. All men were created free agents, but all who accepted Christ's invitation to follow Him, He would help.

It was very hard for some to submit to entire consecration to Christ's work. This was illustrated by the man who came to Christ claiming to have kept all the commandments from his youth up. He inquired what he should do to become a disciple. When he was told that he lacked one thing, and that he must sell all he possessed, he turned away sorrowing. The price was too great to pay.

Dr. Riker then maintained that it was not possible for society people to serve the Lord, because society goes where Christ is not expected. Did you ever hear of a progressive euchre party being opened with prayer? Did you ever know of a dance being opened with prayer? Did you ever hear of a theatrical performance being opened with prayer? No, because society has not lost its self respect; it is too refined to trifle with sacred things." Although it does not follow Christ it does not ridicule sacred things.

If you follow the joys, pleasures and amusements of polite society, you cannot follow the Lord or meet His requirements of discipleship.

THE UNPARDONABLE SIN

The Subject of Rev. Dr. Cunningham's Sermon Last Evening.

At the First Presbyterian church last evening the pastor, Rev. Dr. D. A. Cunningham, preached a powerful sermon to a good-sized congregation, taking for his theme "The Unpardonable Sin," and for text, Mark 3, 28-30: "Verily I say unto you, all sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men and blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme; but he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation; because they said, He hath an unclean spirit."

Also Matthew 12, 31 and 32: "Wherefore I say unto you, all manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men, but the blasphemy against the Holy Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men. And whosoever speaketh a word against the Son of Man, it shall be forgiven him, but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven him, neither in this world nor in the world to come."

These, said the Doctor, are momentous words of our blessed Savior. All may see there is a difference in speaking against Jesus and against the Holy Ghost. There are various opinions about the unpardonable sin. Some suppose it could only have been committed by those who saw Christ's miracles and heard his instructions from his own lips. Others think it has been committed since that time, but in very rare instances, while others believe they have committed it and spend their lives in gloomy forebodings, unfit for the service of God or the society of men. "And yet I believe this sin has been committed in thousands of instances little suspected."

The unpardonable sin is the act of one who is highly enlightened and at the same time very malicious against God. Light respecting spiritual things and malice against the person, work or offices of the Holy Ghost are the essentials. In many ways man may commit such a sin, and he who would not sin beyond forgiveness must take heed how he trifles with holy things. To continue to say No to the offer of mercy is one way to commit the sin. A wilful and continued rejection of evidence is one way. Anyone who can deliberately reject the offer of Christ's mercy can commit the unpardonable sin and be left alone by the Holy Spirit to perish. Our danger is greater than the Pharisee's, because we have more light.

As to whether a distressed soul has actually committed the sin requires several inquiries, first as to his state of mind; was it done willfully, spitefully, knowingly? Did he intend to renounce God's spirit forever?

Dr. Cunningham closed by assuring his hearers that a seeking sinner and a seeking Savior are always sure to meet, and there is always a seeking Savior where there is a seeking sinner.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

Matters of Minor Moment in and About the City.

The Grand this evening—"Special Delivery."

Christmas shoppers throng the streets every afternoon and evening now, and Saturday the throng was especially thick.

Sam Goings, of St. Clairsville, who was sent to the penitentiary for two and one half years for highway robbery, has been pardoned.

At the tin mill of the LaBelle iron works two mills are in operation, the other two being still off and not likely to go on until after the first of the coming year.

The herdic line from the Elm Grove road's terminus to Triadelphia, has been started again by David Nickerson, who bought the herdic from the railway company.

Edward Miller, a laborer at the Riverside tube works, was badly cut on the head Saturday by a large lump of coal, which fell from a high trestle under which he was walking.

"Miss Harum Scarum" closed a very successful engagement at the Grand Saturday night. The play is above the average of its class and all the people in the company are talented.

At the Riverside steel works Friday night the record was broken by three heats. The turn made fifty-six heats, turning out 280 tons. This is the biggest run ever accomplished in any one turn.

Saturday morning the coldest weather of the season was experienced. The thermometer at Schnepf's registered as low as 10. Yesterday was bright and sunny, and the ice and snow thawed a little, but it was cold again last night.

Saturday evening a blaze broke out in a bedroom at Frank Korkinzki's house, at 4208 Water street. Considerable damage resulted, but it would have been worse but for the snow on the roof. The Eighth ward engine put out the blaze.

Yesterday a large crowd of people from both sides of the river gathered on Back river to skate. Owing to the danger of communicating smallpox there Health Officer Jepson had the city police go over and disperse the people. Later many were skating on the shore ice just above the suspension bridge.

Manager Tracy, of the Western Union company, has learned that several boys he found it necessary to discharge, are going about, still wearing their uniforms, and soliciting district messenger work. If these boys had been trustworthy they would still be regularly employed, and Mr. Tracy warns the public against them. Hereafter all Wester Union boys will wear numbers, and by this sign they can easily be recognized.

ABOUT PEOPLE.

Strangers in the City and Wheeling Folks Abroad.

Mr. H. F. Behrens is home from a southern tour.

Mrs. M. Van Pelt, of Moundsville, was up Saturday.

Paul O. Reymann is home from a trip to New York City.

R. E. L. Snodgrass, of New Martinsville, was here Saturday.

Henry Youpinger, of Mt. Morris, Pa., is visiting his parents here.

Miss Anna Reymann has returned from a visit to Pittsburgh friends.

Prof. D. W. Shields, principal of the New Martinsville schools, was here Saturday.

Hon. John B. Floyd, ex-state senator and editor of the Charleston Mail, was here Saturday.

Miss Nettie Shaller, of New Matamoras, is the guest of Miss Emerick, of the South Side.

Mr. William O. Rau, of Harper's Ferry, is the guest of his sister, Mrs. G. A. Beauter, for afew days.

Mrs. Linderman and daughter, Miss Behrens, of Lazearville, are guests of friends on the South Side.

Mr. William Baeshar, the Sixteenth street tobacco dealer, is in Pennsylvania on a business trip.

Mr. M. J. Owens, the well known glass worker, manager of the Libby works at Toledo, Ohio, is here on a visit, called by the sickness of his sister, Miss Maggie.

CAPT. DOVENER HOME.

He Makes a Flying Visit—Some Topics of Interest.

Hon. B. B. Dovener embraced the opportunity to make another flying visit home Saturday, returning to Washington last evening. He does not expect to visit Wheeling again until after the holidays. He expects to remain at the capital during the holiday recess, so as to familiarize himself with the workings of the departments, so that when he has any business with any of them he will know just where to go and what to do.

Captain Dovener, speaking of the Ambassador Bayard matter, said he had no doubt a resolution of censure would be reported from the committee and that it would go through with a rush. He expects also to see tariff legislation on the line of Republican policy to make up the deficiencies in the revenues. He thinks the committee appointments will be announced about Wednesday of this week, and that Congress will then adjourn until after New Year's.

DIED OF A HOG'S BITE.

William Schumacker Comes to His Death From a Strange Cause.

Yesterday morning William Schumacker died at his home two miles east of St. Clairsville, aged twenty-two. Some time ago the Intelligencer mentioned the fact that he was bitten by a vicious hog, and later that it had been found necessary to amputate his leg to save his life. This was done, but the operation was ineffectual. Blood poisoning set in, resulting in his death, as stated.

Schumacker was engaged in the meat business at St. Clairsville and was an estimable and popular young man. He was a cousin of City Clerk Dannenberg, of this city, and was well known here. The funeral will be Tuesday at 1 p. m., from the Presbyterian church in St. Clairsville.

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WAS FATALLY HURT.

Terrible Accident at the Wheeling Steel Plant Saturday.

At noon Saturday John Robinson met with a fatal accident at the Wheeling steel plant, while cleaning off the switch to the shear track. An engine came in on the track, and he was so busily engaged that he did not notice it until it struck him, knocking him to the ground in such a position as to run over his leg almost at the trunk, and nearly severing it from the body. The man was picked up and carried to his home in McMechen, and Dr. Haskins was hastily summoned, but his condition is such that he cannot possibly recover, and amputation was not resorted to.

Robinson is about sixty years of age. He leaves a family in McMechen.

Hit by a Falling Car.

Saturday at the Gaylor coal works William Harris was fatally hurt and the coal tipple badly damaged by the breaking of a cable, which let a loaded car descend with terrific force. Harris and C. V. Van Fossen were talking when they heard the car coming. Van Fossen jumped in the nick of time from the tipple, while Harris was unfortunate, and stumbled and was hit by the car, it striking him with terrific force, and knocking him off the coal tipple onto the Cleveland & Pittsburgh railroad tracks, about forty feet below. His injuries consisted of broken legs and a broken back, also internal injuries and bruises about the head.

The coal tipple is very badly damaged by this accident.

THE BARBERS MEET.

Adopt a Constitution and Complete the Organization.

Yesterday afternoon the newly formed boss barbers' union met in Brubaugh's shop, on Market street, south of the creek, to complete the organization. The committee appointed to prepare a constitution and by-laws reported, and its report was adopted and the constitution signed by all present. A committee was also appointed to secure the signatures of barbers not present. It is composed of William Kuhn, chairman, George Hobstetter and William Deniger.

It was resolved to close all barber shops in the city at noon on Christmas and New Year's.

It was also decided to petition council to pass an ordinance forbidding shaving on Sunday, and assessing a fine on all barbers who violate its provisions.

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Rhea's Engagement.

M'lle Rhea closed her engagement Saturday night with the second performance of "Nell Gwynne," which again gave satisfaction to a large audience. "Josephine, Empress of the French," given to a fair house in the afternoon, did not seem to make so favorable an impression as the same drama did when given here before.

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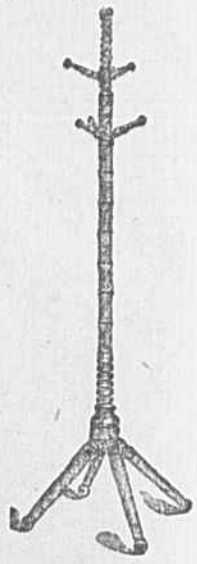

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