

Morning Star and Catholic Messenger.

DOMESTIC CATHOLIC INTELLIGENCE.

Laying of the Corner-Stone of the New Church of the Visitation, Brooklyn. On the 27th November, in the City of Churches...

Death of Father Kuehr.—Rev. Ferdinand Kuehr, for twenty-eight or thirty years pastor of the Church of the Mother of God...

Splendid Reception of Archbishop Spalding in Washington.—The reception of Archbishop Spalding, of Baltimore, November 24th...

Dedication of a New Catholic Church at Greenfield, L. I.—On November 27th the church and commodiously built Church of St. Rosa...

The dedication of the new Catholic church (St. Mary's) at Mount Pleasant, took place on the 20th inst. The weather was cold and unpleasant...

On the 13th of November Right Rev. Bishop Williams, of Boston, dedicated the Church of St. Ann, in Fall River, and in the afternoon confirmed fifty-two persons...

Catholicity in Utica, N. Y.—The Catholics have in the large and flourishing churches, and within the past few years they have largely increased and much improved their church edifices...

Church Dedication.—On Sunday, November 20th, the Most Rev. Archbishop of New York dedicated to the service of Almighty God, under the invocation of the Holy Name of Mary...

Rev. Father Dremmond, of Dover, N. H., has contracted with parties in Lawrence for the completion of the Catholic church, which was totally destroyed by fire lately...

Dr. Croke, Bishop of Auckland, New Zealand, took his departure from San Francisco for his distant diocese on the 15th of November. He was accompanied by Dr. O'Connor, of Killybeg, Ireland...

On Tuesday, November 15, Archbishop Parcel confirmed fifty-nine persons in Holy Trinity Church, Middletown, Ohio. High Mass was sung by Rev. Mr. Carey, of Glendale.

The Most Rev. Archbishop McCloskey, on the 1st inst. last, confirmed 103 children on Randall's Island, 60 on Hart's Island, and administered first communion to 90 boys on board the Schoolship Mercury.

The Right Rev. Bishop M. Demone, of the diocese of Pittsburgh, dedicated a new Church in Lower St. Clair Township, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, on Sunday week.

MISCELLANY.

"Toys for Grown Children."—Much skill and perseverance have been displayed by the ingenious in all ages, in the construction of curious objects...

In 1290, Albertus Magnus, Archbishop of Ratisbon, made a machine in the human form, which saluted visitors and made them welcome in a few articulate words...

The learned Kercher and the philosophic Gassendi, assure us that John Muller, of Konigsburg, made an eagle which circled around the Emperor Frederick, and alighted on the spot from which he had started...

Vaucanson, acting on this idea a little later, produced his flute player, whose renown was not less than that of the duck. The artificial duck is its well-known plucked itself, quacked, waddled, devoured, and even digested food...

The Jesuit Maimburg makes mention of a golden tree in the possession of the Emperor Theophilus, laden with little artificial birds, which produced a concert similar to the song of nightingales...

Arnold, a London watch-maker, constructed a watch for George III., which was made in a finger-ring, but this was nothing uncommon for the Emperor Charles V., as well as James I., of England...

In 1828, a mechanic of Plymouth completed a miniature cannon and carriage, the whole of which weighed the weight of a ninth part of a grain. The cannon had bore and touch-hole complete...

Russian Girls and their Marriages.—In large estates—before the prescriptions of the law to the contrary—the marriages of the serfs were always made with the interference of the master or the overseer...

Ginger.—This is the root, or rather the underground stem of a plant which is a native of the East Indies, but is now grown in many other tropical countries.

stem grows two or three feet high, and is reed-like; the flowers are borne on a separate stalk, they are of a dark purple color, and appear from between broad scales...

The fresh root, which are usually brought in the fall, may be planted in a pot and kept through the winter, and in the summer be turned out into a warm place in the garden, where they will flourish during the continuance of the hot weather.

The Pope.—The accounts from Rome report the state of affairs in that city as extremely bad and disgraceful. General La Marmora has performed entered and occupied the palace of the Quirinal. The most flagrant offences against social decency are committed in the city...

The heat in Rome is increasing. The disbanded of the entire Papal army has naturally thrown many families, who had nothing but the pay, into actual poverty; the general distress, and the consequent loss of the employees, affects many more...

To-day a large demonstration was made by the tradesmen and laborers who met on the Piazza del Popolo, and made in a long procession, headed by the inevitable banner under which the license seems permitted to the capital under the pretence of declaring to the jante their determination not to work, unless the hours of labor were lessened...

The DUBLIN REVIEW ON FRANCE.—In the last number of this quarterly paper on the "Small French Empire" is chiefly interesting from its treatment of the oratorical prophecies, such as those of Orval, Blois, and St. Malachy, so many of which seem at present to be working out their fulfillment...

A few weeks ago a boot which hung outside the cellar-door of a Berlin shoemaker was stolen. In the afternoon was found a note on the doorstep written as follows, "If you do not hang out the other boot, so that we can steal it also, we will seek it in the night, or else break all your windows."

BAKERIES AND CONFECTIONARIES. "MARGARET."—(MARGARET HAUGHEY) BREAD AND CRACKERS BAKER, 74, 76 and 78—New Levee—74, 76, and 78 Near Poydras street, New Orleans.

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doc principle, or from the force of the Prussian armies, and the secret societies combined, as the Month more logically puts it, is proved to be fraught with present calamity to the whole Church.

PAPAL INFALLIBILITY.—The Right Rev. Dr. Brown, Bishop of Newport and Menavia, has addressed the following letter to the editor of the London Church Times:

Sir—Having just returned from the visitation of my diocese, some criticisms on my recent pastoral letter in your journal have been pointed out to me by a friend, and they must not pass unnoted. The contradiction which my reasoning is that he perceives in my reasoning is the fact, not of any inconsistency in what I have published, but of his having failed to grasp that there is a wide difference between an utterance of an occupant of the Holy See, when given as "universal teacher," and when given as "private doctor."

Yours, etc. THOMAS JOSEPH BROWN, Ballyham, near Hereford, Oct. 18, 1870.

SENSATIONAL PREACHERS.—The Chicago Times drives the nail fairly home in this manner: The avidity with which sensational preachers hunt after matter which will enable them to draw a crowd and say something out of the ordinary course, is a marked peculiarity of the modern pulpit.

PROPOSED REGENCY FOR FRANCE.—We give the following on the authority of the London correspondent of the Manchester Guardian: It is now generally believed that Bazaine and his chief counselors offered, three weeks ago, to agree to the alienation of Alsace and the dismantling of Metz as conditions of peace, provided Napoleon III. should abdicate in favor of his son, who was to have a Council of Regency like that of Spain during his minority.

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