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### EDITORIALS.

THE FACULTY, THE EDITORS and students of St. Viateur's, unanimously tender their sincere thanks to Rev. Father Perry, of the Cathedral parish, Chicago, for the able, interesting, instructive and eloquent discourse with which he favored them, last Thursday evening, the feast of St. Cecilia.

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WHILE PERUSING A STANDARD AUTHOR, the apt and thoughtful student must ever be in quest of three things—viz. the thought contained in the work, its continuity, and the language in which its ideas are couched. By closely following this order, the reader soon begins to realize the full merit of the author, in hand, and readily agrees with Bacon who said that, "Reading maketh a full man." By thus cultivating his taste in youth he finds his desire for the best works continually

increasing, and whether enjoying the pleasures of the most "elite," or the visits of the wealthy, he is never happier than while engaged in pondering over some old and time worn volume.

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HOW DIFFERENT IS HE, whose time has been wasted, whose mind has been fed on the average novel. His intellect is void of weighty ideas, his thoughts are but rudely connected, his expression the most commonplace—often the most revolting and unrefined. While reading this class of literature, the mind is allowed to remain inactive as far as thought is considered. As to beauty and grandeur of imagery, the mind is a total stranger. By reading such matter the student has done worse than remain idle, he has filled himself with dangerous lore, and slowly but surely undermines his foundation.

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NOW LET THE READER nourish and care for his mind, as the skillful horticulturist cultivates and protects a tender, but promising plant. Before the mind is formed, before it is properly instructed by sound principles, it will seek that which it can easily comprehend. In the trashy novel what part is this? It is the most rational. The answer is apparent. Hence if the reader is denied his alleged right, it is only for the most judicious reasons. It is to develop his mind, quicken his perception, to elevate his soul to give him an idea of what is really sublime, of what is worthy of him as a man—a man of culture a man of letters—as a noble citizen, and a worthy member of society.

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A FULL ACCOUNT of the retreat, preached to the students, last week by Rev. Father Shaw C. M., of Niagara, will be found in another part of the paper.



## THE ORPHAN LAD.

SUGGESTED BY WHITTIER'S BAREFOOT BOY.

Come little orphan, shelter here,  
Wipe from your cheek that dropping tear,  
Tell me, little one, is there none  
To chase the clouds from before your sun?

Lonely are thou, my little man;—  
Thy sorrowful eyes and cheeks of tan  
Tell that of poverty, want, despair,  
Thou hast indeed a threefold share.

A mother's kind hand is wanting to you—  
A father's stout heart protecting and true—  
The sweet word home is strange to your ear—  
Come little orphan shelter here.

Be those my brothers to you I'll be  
And if ought of happiness I can find,  
A half shall be thine, my little man,  
With sorrowful eye and cheek of tan.

Seek not a home, 'tis not found here,  
Though sweet and inviting the world appear,  
Left by a father and mother kind  
There's nought of joyfulness here behind.

Only above with the spirits pure,  
And father and mother, is happiness sure,  
Until you go thence come nestle here,  
And wipe from your cheek that dropping tear.

## ELOQUENCE

BY ROBERT PRATT.

The subject of eloquence is confessedly an all important one to the American people as the love of oratory is inherent in Americans. They have felt its influence as no other people have and realize the part it has played in the formation and character of the Republic. It has been truly said that "it was oratory that made us a free and independent people; oratory that determined the quality of man; oratory that settled all the important questions of the past, and oratory that must make the future weal or woe of the American nation, a nation which it is no exaggeration to say excels all others in the splendor of her renown, even as "one star excelleth another star in glory." In no other country have orators and oratory played so important a part in shaping public affairs as in this country. The reason is that nowhere else has free speech been enjoyed to the extent it has in the United States. Every other land either is,

or has been cursed by a despotism, which dared not give reign to the tongue. Oratory cannot flourish under tyranny. In tracing the rise of oratory we need not go farther back into the early ages of the world, than the rise of the Grecian republic, when for the first time we behold the wonders wrought by the art of oratory. So high was the power of eloquence esteemed by the people that "public speaking was not a mere competition for empty applause, but a serious contention for that public leading which was the great object both of men of ambition and men of virtue." Hence we see how all important it was for those who aspired to high honors to first possess the requisite of oratory. From the Greeks the Romans derived their knowledge which soon attained that high degree of influence throughout the Roman Empire which it possessed in Greece. Among the ancient orators Cicero and Demosthenes stand unequalled in the history of the world. We have in modern European history Burke, Bossuet and Pitt who rank among the greatest orators. The oratory of this republic is one of the greatest treasures of literature, the names of Webster and Clay, who by their eloquence accomplished such grand results, will ever be dear to the hearts of the American people. Our Republican institutions are of such a character as to call for and encourage a practice of well finished and studied oratory. That some are gifted beyond others in the matter of oratory cannot be denied, and that the great majority of our people need nothing but proper training in the season of their youth to fit them the better to enter the departments of public life is equally undeniable. Though it is gratifying to know that the art of eloquence is beginning to secure a portion of attention corresponding in some degree with its importance, but still it is too much neglected not only by the community in general but by public speakers and teachers of youth.

## SOME RESOLUTIONS.

One day the early part of the week an inquisitive Journal scribe shouldered his pencil and set out on a tour of investigation to see about some of the effects produced by the late retreat.

The first person he spied was Sam making a bee line for the library. To our impertinent question as to what he had settled on for his vocation, Sam very courteously gave us the following "I will enter the advanced course of higher mathematics at Oxford, Eng. and after six years expect to return and spend the full and winter of my years teaching arithmetic at Hoopston."

The next individual was not quite as frank as Sam and it was only after considerable "pumping" that



Major Grandchamp informed us that all other considerations were n. g. he was now negotiating for a position as Basso-Profundo Virtuoso at the Grand Opera, Paris (pronounced without the S, if you please).

We bade God speed to L. G. as we entered the "rec" hall, and found nobody there but Stafford who seemed busily engaged practicing penmanship. The prefect had gone to—(Hine's smoking apartment) to inform Harry that "butts" are bad for the rising generation and that he had better, etc. In the meanwhile we had a very hurried talk with Willie, the substance of which was that he's so used to writing that he thinks he will be good for nothing but a journalist. (Enter prefect, exit scribe.)

We found Gus. R. sitting in the reading room over a volume of poems open at "The Marble Heart." He had a far off stare in his eyes and was nervously picking the petals of a faded rosebud. A punch in the side with our pencil, awakened him from his reverie. We recited the formula of interrogatives to him to which he answered only in monosyllables: "No"; "Alas, I fear so," "Yea, indeed." He murmured something about the love the South should bear for the North and said some day he hoped they would be united more closely than at present, (he still meant the N & S).

We felt a great deal of sympathy and were inclined to remain and sigh and read poetry and pick faded roses but a voice from without warned us that the next victim was at hand.

It was W. Demosthenes McCarthy. He was posing; one leg wrapped over the other, the right hand drawn back laterally and the left bent in front; his head was thrown up slightly in a kind of a "see-my-hook?" style. This vision of grace, like the everchanging clouds, only remained a moment and "Mac" once more resumed his equilibrium. "This, said he, "is one of the many poses on which I am practicing for my picture to be placed with other ball-players, in "Old Judge" packages,—for you must know I am to become a professional pitcher. Yes, I have at last decided my place is on the diamond. Dandy eh? Bet yo'!" Willie also told us in a semi-confidential way that he was thinking of following Latham's idea and would spend the winter on the stage.

A number of others kindly gave us pointers as to their future but we refrain from publishing more at present. The gentlemen have the JOURNAL's best wishes for success in their various vocations.

"Our Reporter."

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### HOME.

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Copious as is our mother tongue, few words in her vocabulary convey a more expressive meaning to the

mind or more tender emotions to the heart than home. Enthroned in the human breast, the love of home rules all other loves. The conqueror of nations crowned with laurels and surrounded with admirers would fain burst the bonds which bind him to fame and seek a quiet home. The most abject of savages sighs as he leaves his hut and turns in his path to take a last look at its hallowed province.

I would define home as the abode of sanctity and true sympathy. It is evident that where sin, the scourge of mankind, exists there can be no real happiness, no true love, nothing which we love to ascribe to home in that highest sense in which we here consider the word.

It is true that our hearts are but immature battle fields upon which the strifes of life wage incessantly although unknown to and unnoticed by those about us.

But we are jealous of our burdens as well as of our triumphs and nature demands that we seek the company of those, the cords of whose hearts will vibrate in unison with our own. So strong is this demand it has been truly said that if a man is to be tested, try how long he can live without sympathy. Nothing is more common than to hear persons speak of the cold charity of the world. We are constantly seeking sympathy but fail to find it amid the struggling masses of humanity ever present in life's busy thoroughfares. All have their own burdens, their own hopes and while they may be ever ready to laugh at a jest they wish none of our melancholy.

But at home what a quiet blissful retreat! Here everything about us is associated in our memories with the days of our childhood the brightness of which the years of a lifetime are too few to dim. Here are our parents so dear to us that when they have departed none from the whole human race can fill their place. Here we meet again the companion of those days when we were innocent, the old house which sheltered us so long and every nook and corner of which we are so familiar. The garden wherein we tended our little flower beds so carefully in summer and where we used to romp so much in the snows of winter. The paths which bore the marks of our childish feet so often. This one leading to the school wherein we never learned how steep is the hill of knowledge. This one to the brook upon whose verdant banks we have so often sat and watched the ever changing water, here placid, there purling amid the rushes until we lose sight of it around the bend in the meadow. Then our lives were as the brook, but a mirror of the heaven above. But home has something more, something above these I have mentioned. It is that real love and real sympathy which unites the hearts of the whole family into one perfect whole.

It has been generally recognized that all states rest



more or less upon the sacred basis of true homes for it is here that mankind receives his first instruction and the poet has truly said, "That as the twig is bent so the tree inclines. Then let us place it first among our various duties to preserve the purity, the sanctity, the reality of home.

P. Parker,  
1st. Rhetoric.

### ALONG THE LINE.

We are at last fully organized in good shape and anxiously awaiting the arrival of the new guns.

It is now Drum Major Hynes, Harry has risen from the ranks and henceforth heads all processions with his *beaver* and *baton*. He made quite a hit Thanksgiving Day.

The supply of guns for the "Pony" company arrived on the 22nd. The gun is a gem. It was imported from Germany and will be used by this company and the little Zouaves of Chicago.

The Military Band under the direction of Bandmaster Sullivan is improving rapidly and on Thanksgiving Day acquitted themselves splendidly.

Major Grandchamp is as zealous as ever in furthering the interests of the Battalion under his charge. We wish him every success in his new office. He takes great care of the "Ponies" and wants them to hold a good place in the Pennant drill.

Lieut. Condon after a few days in the hospital, reported for duty on Thanksgiving Day. His wound was not as serious as first expected. The members of Co. A. rejoice that he is with them again.

Capt. Kerr of Company E. is working hard. His material is somewhat difficult to mold, but he says "we'll get there just the same." That's the talk Capt.

The organizing of the Bayonet Squad will take place very soon. Boys pay attention, those of you who wish to join as none but perfect soldiers will be admitted. Capt. Ball will make his selection in a few days.

Who started the rumor that we were going to drill with Notre Dame? However we think a drill of this kind with the permission of our Director would be a good move.

Capt. Normoyle evidently is awake to duty. His company is doing well and from the present outlook will "hustle" all contestants for the Company Pennant.

The Commissary has made arrangements for the new gun racks in the Ponies Armory. They are to be of the latest style and will bear in the centre the monogram of the Company.

Capt. McCann's company elicit much applause for their excellent wheeling. There is no reason why this Company can't win the prize. All that it requires boys,

is work. The Captain is ably assisted by Lieuts. Lamarre and Shea who are indefatigably laboring for success.

Co. A. is not quite up to the last year Company but time will tell and as Lieut. McCarthy told us the other day, "The Hare does not always win the race."

The voice of Capt. Tynan can be heard all over the parade grounds on drill days. For an earnest and hard-working Captain he stands without an equal.

For a thing of beauty the Roll Call book of Serg. Major Gurney leads the file. Now boys don't try to shirk drill or the Serg. Major will be after you.

The Dress Parade of the Battalion, is formed far better this year at present writing than after a year's practice last year. This looks like improvement. The next thing you must give us, Major, is Battalion Drill.

Adjutant Ricou is at his post again and much is due to him for the great improvement made in forming the Dress Parade. His soldierly bearing and precision of movement made him a conspicuous figure in the Parade on Thanksgiving Day.

The trappings for our Mounted Officers are expected soon. The Chevræes will be far better than those of last year while the McClellan saddle will be used throughout.

Chaplain Rivard with his new uniform is the beau ideal of a military Chaplain. May his labors be as successful this year in promoting the spiritual welfare of the Battalion as last.

Battalion Attention! A good way to invest fifty cents is to subscribe for Fr. Mahoney's paper, *The Boys' Protector*. Give your names to the Commissary at once.

The equestrian ability of Commissary Sampson cannot be doubted after the admirable appearance he made Thanksgiving Day.

Lieut. Wilstach called at the Sanctum the other day in full dress. If a more soldierly looking officer is around we have yet to see him. He gave encouraging reports from Company B. remarking that officers and men worked as one and were bent upon capturing the pennant.

### ST. CECILIA'S DAY.

Thursday the 22nd. inst. the students, especially the musicians celebrated a day, the happy memories of which will be recalled in after years with lively joy, and will form one of those golden links which annihilate the past and join the old student of "St. Viateur's" with those, celebrating within its sacred barriers. True, those who took part in last night's concert will after a few years take their allotted places in the world. Time in his fearful ravages, will change the pleasant days of



youth into hours of labor, the happy smiles which youth bestows will have to give place to the thoughtful look of business, and boyhood joys would be well-nigh forgotten were it not for the soothing echoes of those happy evenings spent when toil was unknown and trouble was simply a name. The concert last evening was in honor of St. Cecilia the patroness of music.

The weather during the day was all that could be desired, as the day progressed the autumnal winds gave way to the warm rays of the sun, whose cheery presence seemed to enliven everything. It is very seldom, nature bestows upon us such a day as this in the cheerless month of November and you may be sure the students made the best of it. Passing over the many sports of the day let us place ourselves in the cozy hall where the exercises of the evening are to take place, where beautiful decorations smile upon us from every side, where superiors and visitors lend an unusual interest to the scene by their presence and where music "heavenly maid" sends a thrill into every heart.

From the eventful day on which "St. Viateur's" began her work of usefulness to the present time, Music has been cherished as a thing of beauty and a joy forever, as a charm which could assuage toil and elevate the pleasures of college life. The bustle and activity of preceeding days the frequent rehearsals of band and orchestra raised expectation to the highest pitch and something of more than ordinary occurrence was looked for. To say the expectations of the most ardent admirer of music were realized is expressing it mildly.

From the time the curtain went up revealing the college band gayly attired and with glittering instruments to the time the "Finale" was played by the same organization all were quiet—all were spell-bound. Want of space will not permit us to mention each part separately, but outside of the musical feast we had something which almost possessed the soothing influence of Music herself, and which deserves more than a passing notice. It was the discourse on St. Cecilia by Rev. F. N. Perry. Father Perry proved by his earnest words that music was to him more than an empty sound and as he unfolded the life and virtues of the musicians' patroness all was attention. The classic beauty of his sentences and the fervent eloquence which his subject inspired him with, charmed his auditors for over an hour.

The tuneful notes of the violin, the pleasing strains of the cornet and the soothing sounds which came from the guitar, each contributed to render this musical festival a brilliant success. The beautiful rendition of "Come rise with the Lark" by the Vocal Trio and the musical delicacies served up by the Cecilian Quintette certainly merit commendation. After a few happy re-

marks by Rev. M. J. Marsile C. S. V. we sought our place of repose there to dream of Orpheus and the Muses. Following is the program:

Selection—"Aurora Quickstep".....Band.  
 Address To Rev. Fr. Shaw C. M.....Students.  
 Vocal Solo "Parais a Ta Fenetre" Rev. J. P. Dore.  
 Piano Selection "Tidal Waves"...Mr. A. Boylan.  
 Selection "Raquet".....Orchestra.  
 Vocal Solo—"Laughing Jennie" Mr. T. Normoyle.  
 Violin and Piano "Sonata" Op. 137, No.1 Schubert.  
 Messrs. Sullivan and Wilstach.  
 Discourse—St. Cecilia.....Rev. F. Perry.  
 Guitar Solo.....Mr. W. Barrett.  
 Selection "Golden Gate".....Orchestra.  
 "Come rise with the lark".....Vocal Trio.  
 Piano Selection "Le Papillion"...Mr. G. Lehman.  
 Selection—"A Night in Venice" Cecilian Quintette.  
 Remarks.....Rev. M. J. Marsile.  
 Finale.....Band.  
 Cisum.

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE COLLEGE.

Just what Pres. Cleveland thinks about Mr. Harrison's late victory we cannot say; however we know that he issued the annual decree that there be a day of thanks celebrated in grateful remembrance of favors conferred by Providence upon our nation during the past year.

All in these quarters proved quite loyal to the command of the noble Chief and made the day one of prayer and genuine rejoicing. The weather was not as bright as it often is in Spring, nor as disagreeable as some days in March. It was just about right.

At 9 o'clock The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass was offered; Rev. Fr. Dooling C. S. V., Celebrant, Fr. Laberge D. D. acting as Deacon, Rev. J. P. Dore, Sub-Deacon and Mr. John Kelly, "Master of Ceremonies." Rev. Fr. Marsile preached an eloquent sermon on the day. The morning was passed in the manner in which a lot of happy "gray coats" generally while away the time, until coming along towards noon the boys began to feel an inward yearning which was plainly manifest in their peculiar give-me-some-turkey sort of countenances, which in short notice were changed to Oh!-how-delicious looks of satisfaction.

About 2 P. M. the bugle was sounded and the battalion was in a few moments drawn up in line of "dress parade." In consideration of the fact that a number of the cadets have just passed muster, it may be justly said that the ceremony was performed with remarkable skill, precision and expedition. It is said that a certain visitor remarked his having seen but one breach made during the "parade rest" and that was a slight movement



of the left arm by "a certain sergeant." Boys, don't move a muscle!

A number of visitors were present on the grounds and evidently appreciated the whole performance of the battalion. The marching movements were well executed. The band did its share nicely and we congratulate Prof. Sullivan on his success with his martial musicians. A slight drizzle of rain prevented the battalion from having a tramp to the end of the village as well as the honor of treating the sisters and young ladies of the academy to a "dress parade." In lieu of this number of the day's programme the "picked squad" gave an exhibition drill in the College Hall. It was enjoyed by all present. After supper a most pleasant entertainment was given by the members of Prof. Solon's education class. The following is the programme of the evening:

### PROGRAMME.

THANKSGIVING EXERCISES NOV. 29th. 1888.

#### PART I.

Selection.....Band.  
Address.....F. Dillon.  
Recitation.....M. Koph.

#### MUSIC.

#### LECTURE ON PHRENOLOGY.

Prof. J. H. Kilcullom.....H. Hynes.  
Jonas Jones *a farmer*.....B. O'Connor.  
P. Price *a politician*.....M. O'Connor.  
G. P. Goodman *a grocer*.....E. Crumley.  
J. S. Sterns *a merchant*.....J. LaPlante.  
John Combs.....D. Shea.

#### MUSIC.

#### PART II.

The young orator.....A. Boylan.  
Scott and the Veteran.....J. Van Loon.  
Bill Mason's Ride.....R. Bradley.

#### MUSIC.

Polish boy.....J. Doheny.  
Declamation.....J. Rising.  
Emmet's Vindication.....F. Dillon.  
Highly Tragic and *Serio Comic*.....H. Hynes.

#### MUSIC.

#### TABLEAU.

Closing Remarks.....Rev. M. J. Marsile.  
Finale.....Band.

The speaking in general was good. Some whose first appearance it was before the public, were a little timid, but others we must say did excellently. Mr. Frank

Dillon spoke "Emmet's Vindication" with much feeling, and Master Richard Bradley fairly charmed the audience with his rendition of "Bill Mason's Ride." Mr. Harry Hynes certainly gained himself distinction and convinced all present that he possesses the qualities of a good speaker and a stage gentleman. We hope Harry's perseverance will obtain for him that excellence which will enable him one day to shine before men to an advantage equal to that of the most distinguished actors and orators. In his "Highly tragic and Serio Comic" act he brought down the house. By no means will we close the account of this happy day without offering our most sincere and hearty thanks to Prof. Solon for the kindness and interest shown to us all in organizing such a pleasant soiree.

The visitors present for the afternoon and evening's exercises were Rev. Fathers Beaudoin, Langlais, Berard, Legris, and Lesage. Messrs. Alec. Granger of Kankakee, James Roach, E. Barron, and P. Boyle of Chicago. Mesdames P. Woodward, J. Carberry and G. Dooley of Chicago. Misses Peobola Roberts, May Barron, Nellie Cotter and Hattie Bailey of the Academy in company with friends and relatives also honored us with their presence on that joyful day.

#### LOCALS.

— Ame—n!  
— December!  
— Frozen weeds!  
— *Curious* ain't it?  
— Left! Left! Left!  
— Oh! *Gosh* Tynan!  
— My, take that off!  
— "I'm only poor Shea."  
— First snow on Nov. 18th.  
— Get a Wabash on You!  
— Oh! my name is O'Cleary!  
— Just twenty—(?) more days!  
— We issue once more before Xmas.  
— Hand ball seems to rule the hour.  
— And now we can say "this month!"  
— That molasses candy was so hard.  
— St. Cecilia's Day was a success indeed.  
— At last Dan realizes how good he is at guessing.  
— And now Philosopher Dick revels in long pants!  
— Who got the piece that went over the fence last?  
— No, Bobbie, it was not Gov. Hill, but your own Bennie.  
— A brilliant rumor,—we are to have electric lights!  
— There is now one hundred and seventy students registered.



— Suggestive of a big breakfast: a *Tart* and a little *Coffey*.

— Rev. M. A. Dootling C. S. V. was last week the guest of Chicago friends.

— Why not put that troublesome lock of hair in curl-papers at once, Harry?

— We confess never to have seen so many turkey gobblers as at thanksgiving dinner.

— Messrs. Gallet, Moody, and Maher were visiting at their respective homes recently.

— Do you think these trousers are *mendacious*, Brother? He wanted to have them *Patched*.

— "Do you think I'll get a beaver?" .... "How soon will my button be here?" .... "How would his do?" .... "Who.... Which....?"

— We were much pleased to meet at the St. Cecilia's entertainment, Arthur Gelino '81 and Alex Granger '87.

— "Who steals my compositions steals trash?" Soliloquized a grammarian. And nobody raised his voice to say "nay."

— By the aid of sharp field glasses, we perceived floating down Salt River last week, two canal boats of the "M. M." line.

— "The Story of Some Bells" might be appropriately recited at 5.30 A. M. Bell cold-water, and pulled-out-of-bed effects. Eh, Mac?

— Rev. M. J. Marsile C. S. V. spent Sunday last with the pastor in Menominee, Mich. He returned on Wednesday.

— Storm doors seem to be gaining in popularity, they are going up all around us in defiance of winter's steady approach.

— The members of the "Ticket-of-Leave" Company would like to hear of that oyster-supper they were to have *that Thursday*.

— Read our advertisements and when you have any purchases to make patronize JOURNAL advertisers before going any place else.

— Numskulls who say we haven't base-ball talent amongst us should have seen that "all-star" game last Thursday.

— The faculty, students, and JOURNAL join in thanking heartily Rev. F. N. Perry for his eloquent words and delightful music, St. Cecilia's Evening.

— "Is the ice frozen?" asked an anxious junior. "No," answered another, the water is still wet. And then somebody laughed, but we didn't stay to see who.

— At last the beauties have arrived, and Rev. P., Beaudoin Pastor of the Church of the Maternity is now fitted up with elegant new stained glass windows. Although all are handsome, there are many really rare pieces of art among them. This and the thorough overhauling the church underwent this fall makes it one of the handsomest in the vicinity.

— Among the visitors during the past two weeks were Rev. M. J. Fitzsimmons, Pastor of the Holy Name Cathedral, Rev. F. N. Perry, Mrs. Abbey, Messrs. Brennan, Steadman, Ryan and Roach, of Chicago, and Mr. Clune of Indianapolis, Ind., Dr. Langdon Messrs. Dolan and Crouse of Kankakee.

— The last of the three games between Companies A and B was played recently and was given to the latter by a score of 9 to 0. The nines had played three innings and the score stood 5 to 2 in favor of Co. B. when James Condon, Co. A's. catcher was accidentally struck by the batter and a deep gash cut over his left eye. He was necessitated to retire. Capt. Ball would not play the game farther and the umpire gave the game to Co. B. by a score of 9 to 0. The game, had Mr. Condon not been injured, would undoubtedly have been the most interesting and closely contested of the three.

— Prof. Dore's Select Elocution Class is down for a recital about the middle of this month, on what day has not been decided. A rare entertainment may be expected, for the young orators are doing fine work. A feature, we are told will be the musical accompaniment to some of the recitations. This plan has been successfully attempted in many schools of oratory in the East and will without doubt prove a success here. The class now numbers fourteen, among whom is a thrifty germ which will make great elocutionists. We congratulate Prof. Dore on his admirable success thus far and look forward with interest to the promised recital.

— Rev. Fr. Lajoie writes from Vourles giving news concerning their celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the community. He says: "The Archbishop of Lyons soon to be created Cardinal, spent the day with us, presided at the religious professions of many new members at the close of our retreat and preached an eloquent sermon. He expressed himself as highly pleased at the steady growth of the community and was delighted with his visit to Vourles... Your interesting *Journal* gave us a very complete report of the festivities at St. Viateur's. You always do things in grand style."

— Our annual fall retreat took place last week, and was successfully conducted by Rev. Father Shaw C. M. It opened on Monday evening and closed Thursday morning. Every communicant in the house received the divine Sacrament at Holy Mass on Thursday, as it were, to put a seal to the many good resolutions taken during the retreat. After Mass, the good father presented each one with the red scapular of the Passion of our Redeemer. He urged all to wear it for a souvenir of the mission and proclaimed the indulgence attached there to. Every one was more than delighted with the charming sermons and practical instructions of the holy missionary and trust this will not be the last time we shall have the happiness of hearing his words of piety and wis-



dom. On leaving, he commenced a mission the following Sunday with the prayers and best wishes of two hundred of St. Viateur's students attending him. He promises to call on us for a day or so as soon as his time will allow him. Everybody will look forward with eagerness we are sure, to the return of Father Shaw.

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### HAS AMERICA PRODUCED A POET WORTHY TO RANK AMONG THE THIRTEEN ENGLISH IMMORTALS?

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The above query will be discussed and solved within the next fortnight by the members of St. Patrick's Literary and Debating Society. Before the question is irrevocably settled by that august body, the JOURNAL respectfully submits it to the judgement of its readers, and invites their fair consideration of this important and really live question and solicits the speedy expression of their views.

N. B. Answers to the above question may be forwarded to Editor Ball, No. 3 Via Ventuosa, St. Viateur's College, Bourbonnais Grove, Kankakee Co. Ill.

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### FAME'S OPEN PATH.

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In order to promote literary work the Editors have concluded to open a "prize-essay" column. The subject for the first paper will be "A Delsartean Evening." It will contain a full account of the entertainment on Dec. 15. Scribes, be on the alert with note-book and pencil. The prize will be a large *édition de luxe* volume of "Idyls and Lyrics of the Ohio Valley." No papers will be received after 6 o'clock Dec. 16. Please hand essays to editors personally.

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### ROY MEMORIAL NOTES.

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The Roy Fund increases steadily and rapidly. During the last fortnight the treasurer of the R. M. A. has received the following: from Mr. Jos St. Louis, of Kankakee City \$35.00; from Rev. Fr. Martel of Escanaba Mich. \$30.00, from a friend in Michigan \$30.00.

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### SOCIETY CHIT-CHAT.

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The 13th. of December is anxiously looked forward to by the members of St. Patrick's Society.

New badges will soon be ordered by the Immaculate Conception Society. They will be of silver, handsomely engraved and enameled.

A handsome bureau has been placed in the "Meeting Hall" of the Pickwick Club to be used by the members for keeping their cigars and tobacco.

Rev. G. M. Legris.

Rev. Sir:

St. Patrick's Society acknowledges with pleasure your generous donation of the St. Nicholas Magazine for the coming year and returns you sincere thanks for the same.

G. E. Donnelly, Secretary.

The "critic" of the Delsartean Circle passes a very complimentary criticism on Mr. Benjamin McCarthy's rendition of the "Story of Some Bells." Mr. McCarthy long since displayed his talent for elocution and it is with great pleasure we announce the fact that he will favor the public with a recitation on the occasion of the Delsartean Recital which takes place on the 15th. of this month.

The resignation of Mr. Paul Wilstach was presented to St. Patrick's society at their last meeting and accepted, but not without regret. Mr. Wilstach was one of the old members of the society and had its welfare continually at heart. During his long membership he worked assiduously for the promotion of the society's interests and St. Patrick's has lost one of its most sterling members by his resignation.

Among the new organizations we must mention the Cecilian Quintette, a musical circle. Already this society has made its mark. At the entertainment on the evening of St. Cecilia's Day the Quintette "brought down the house" by its splendid execution of some very classical and difficult selections. It is composed of the following excellent artists: Profs. P. A. Sullivan and P. Wilstach, Messrs. A. Fraser, F. Dandurand and Master F. Moran.

At the last meeting of the Pickwick Club one of the notable features of the exercises was the soliloquy by Harry Hynes, entitled "Come, my Baton!"

Mr. F. Cleary was elected to fill the position of Serg. at Arms of St. Patrick's society, vice, T. Normoyle, resigned.

Master W. Tynan as Mentor of the Immaculate Conception society, has made for himself a most enviable record as an officer. Never for an instant has he been negligent in the performance of his duty, but ever laboring zealously for the advancement of the society.

Librarian Gallet of St. Patrick's was home on a visit for a few days last week. During his absence Assistant Librarian Falley fulfilled the duties of his office.

During the exercises of the retreat the members of the Altar Society made a splendid appearance on the altar with their new cassocks and surplices.

The Dramatic Association is considering the advisability of producing in the near future a grand revival of minstrelsy. We think it would be a very enjoyable performance.

The Thespians were rather slow in re-organizing this



year but are now thoroughly equipped for their entertainments during the coming winter season. It is the intention of the society to give another of their entertaining "Lecture Courses." The officers of the society are as follows: Moderator, Rev. E. L. Rivard, President William Prendergast; Vice-President, Benjamin McCarthy; Secretary, John Shea; Treasurer, Harry Baker; Critic, Denis Ricou.

The Dramatic Association owing to an oversight of our Society reporter was omitted in the last issue. After the admirable performance this society gave on St. Viateur's Day, they are deserving to head the list of our College Societies. We look for another grand production in the Spring. But why not break up the monotony by giving us a light entertainment during the winter. Please consider this and we will await a favorable answer. This society is managed as follows:

Manager, Rev. John P. Dore; Business Manager, C. Hamilton Ball; Treas., Justin Ricou; Stage Manager, Dan McNamara; Scenic Artist, Rev. A. Gignac C. S. V.; Master of Properties, Chas. Knisley; Musical Director, Prof. Chas. Gastine.

In publishing the officers of St. Patrick's society in our last issue we made a mistake in putting the name of Mr. Prendergast as Treasurer. Mr. Justin Ricou is the gentleman who fills that office.

### A WOMAN PRESIDENT.

A Woman President, what a jar it would give the country! I do not mean of course any other woman president than a merely speculative like Belva Lockwood.

Well, what would a woman do as President of this great and glorious country where people are not influenced in their voting privileges? After having told them that she was their last hope, that her defeat meant the destruction of our eighty million dollar infant and as a consequence starvation to the poor down-trodden working-man, the same working-man that every body wants (on election day) to see happy after telling them this, she might also draw a plan of the tariff question and submit it to a few experienced parties, with Carnegie as chairman, because she would realize that these men having had experience could be practical in their views, moreover such men are free from prejudice and have only the good of this Republic at heart and of course the working men.

Now after these flattering promises, we could proceed to the next chapter and suppose Cleopatra to have received the votes of this country and Tammany Hall, in a sufficient number to insure her election.

Her Cabinet next! We must suppose that she had

foresight enough to provide her wardrobe. The Cabinet by all means. She scans the horizon and notes a few, who on account of their ability recommend themselves to her notice. But these were not the most active in the campaign; these wrote no letters to friends(?) and so their elevation could not be secured, to the victor belongs the spoils and knights, plumed as well as otherwise, must receive a reward for services rendered.

Now we will suppose the Cabinet to be appointed and the lady has decided on the dress she will wear. The day of inauguration being bright and fair. She makes a great speech which astonishes the natives and maketh the small boy to rejoice. It is proclaimed that the civil service will be open to ladies only and the following questions must be satisfactorily answered by each applicant! What is your age? This first question seems incredible, but heads the list. What is the color of your hair and eyes; are your features of a Roman or Grecian type? Have you freckles? If so, what means have you taken to remove them? Do you go to church with your own brother? Do you make bread, cake and pie for your own family? Have any of your experiments in this direction resulted in the prostration of your friends? Do you believe in dreams? Every applicant for position shall be expected to speak intelligently on all subjects of interest to woman; also to buy her matinee tickets, pay for her ice cream, and to believe in a heretocome. Having passed examination she shall be governed in office by the following rules: No employee shall be allowed to paint, powder or chew gum, —during office hours, she will only receive visitors between the hours of 8 and 12 a. m. and 2 to 6. p. m. and only then with permission of the President. Permission can be obtained by telegraph, telephone or mail, from the President or in her absence, from the Secretary of State.

As Postmistress she shall refuse to deliver Postal Cards written in a language she can not read.

These wise laws could not but impress the people, that the offices would be well filled, and prosperity would be in every household.

But how well soever these trusts be given, some general laws are necessary to insure the perfect happiness of the country. So with this end in view the learned Congress devoted their whole attention to the perfecting of the laws of Government. Some very profound measures were adopted during the first year of the Administration. It was decreed that no woman should wash, cook, mend or make fires in the morning. The work of woman is in the more elevated sphere, the education of the masses, and she shall study well the issues of the day that she may wot whereof she wist.

The law shall not require a woman to take her husband to places of amusement, but she should show him consi-



deration and lead him forth on occasions of state. Refractory husbands may be drawn and quartered or be compelled to preside at a woman's convention, at the discretion of the wife. When a man shall deliberately and with malice aforethought, question the whereabouts of his more exalted fragment he shall be tarred and feathered for the first offence and on a repetition of crime he shall stand to have *this* article read to him.

The wisdom of this legislation no one can question, and Victoria, the subsequent, together with her wise counsellors continued to enact such rules as would in time bring her sex into notice.

Women filled all the places with great satisfaction (to themselves). It did not take you a day to find a police officer especially if you were in a district where people passed frequently and in large numbers. Fights were unknown (to the police) as of old. Book-agents, Lightning-rod agents, were things of yore. All the famous women of the past now enjoyed the glory their efforts had entitled them to. The once-famous statue "Liberty Enlightening the World" was changed for the poetical outline of "Belva the Great," the modern Cleopatra, and the rays of her diadem threw their sprightly beams far out over turbid waters of New York Bay, casting a welcoming smile on the daughters of New Zealand, who had raised the banner of freedom in that far off land and for whom the bright sun of regeneration was soon to rise, and eventually reaching its zenith, they could bask in its noonday beams, exulting in the sweet and consoling thought that they were bigger *men* than their fathers.

Russell Brennan.

#### A SAYING.

"Do not do unto others what you would not like them to do unto you."

If you invite a friend to pay you a visit, and you ask him, when he is come, to 'make himself at home' do you mean to suggest by your invitation and kindness he may take his knife out of the pocket and spend his time at paring off the edges of your tables or your window-sills? No! say you. What right have you then, boys, to try the sharpness of your knives on the college desks or benches? At school you are visitors, and you must respect the school furniture as you expect friends will respect yours at home.

Prof. GASTINE.

#### PERSONALS.

Perry—Rev. Frank Perry was with us on St. Cecil-

ia's day and delivered a most eloquent lecture on Music that evening. The Rev. gentleman is still at the Holy Name Cathedral, Chicago.

Therien—A splendid choir and orchestra have been organized by Father Therien at Notre Dame Church, Chicago, corner of Vernon Park and Sibley.

Bergeron—Rev. A. Bergeron, pastor of the Notre Dame church, Chicago, was in our midst last week. He had come to Bourbonnais for the sad duty of performing the last rites over the remains of his aged grandfather of whom we give a short notice below.

Letourneau—Rob't. Letourneau and brother have a nice drug store and good trade at Harrison and Laflin Streets (K. K. K. Times.)

Maher—Jim Maher is getting rich practicing law, with an office at room 33—35 Clark Street (K. K. K. Times).

Rivard—We learn that Jules Rivard is well satisfied with his position as clerk for "E. R. Wolfner, Dispensing Chemist, 351 S. Clark St., S. E. Cor. Harrison, Chicago."

Gelino—Granger—We were pleased to see Arthur Gelino and Alec Granger, from Kankakee, in our midst at the private musical entertainment given on the evening of St. Cecilia's day. Arthur is spending the year home for rest, Alec is still perusing Kent and Blackstone under the patronage of Hon. D. Paddock.

Bertrand—We were not a little surprised at meeting Albert Bertrand, alias "Bib," who paid a pleasant visit to St. Viateur's recently. A game of base-ball was played in which Bib did not fail to display his proficiency as catcher, his old position. The verdict of the old boys who remember him is that "Bib" has become a splendid base-ball player, better than he was in his school days, which is to say not a little.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis L. Lecour returned from their wedding tour on Wednesday evening, and took up their abode at the residence of M. F. Bachant. Mrs. Lecour was surprised by a present of a fine new piano on her return, a gift from her father.

Dr. J. J. Schubert is enjoying a fine practice in the aristocratic and wealthy neighborhood of 355 St. Hoyne Avenue.

Ed Perry is a book keeper for J. V. Farwell & Co., and resides on Washington boulevard near the scenes of the Snell and Schuneman tragedies.

Rev Father D. E. Mcgrath is assistant priest at St. Malachy's, the great West side Catholic congregation. He is studious, a fine talker, and is very highly regarded by his parishioners.

#### ANOTHER PIONEER DEAD.

One of the oldest residents and most esteemed citi-



zens of Bourbonnais, has just left the scene of his early and long labors and gone to his reward. Old Mr. Eloi Bergeron was among the first pioneers, who, with Noel Levasseur exploited the Prairie state some 60 years ago, and trapped the trackless woodlands of the Mississippi valley. After wandering for some two or three years between St. Louis and Chicago, Mr. Bergeron finally fixed his abode in Bourbonnais where he obtained a small farm from Levasseur by working by the day. By constant industry and steady habits he amassed a little wealth and lived a long and happy life among his many children and grand children. He lived to the goodly age of 91 years, and enjoyed excellent health almost up to the time of his death which occurred Nov. 13. Mr. Bergeron was a type of those genial and good-hearted old Canadians, and his death will be regretted by all who have known him. He was a native of La Rivière Du Loup, Three Rivers, Canada. (K. K. Times).

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#### BOOKS AND PERIODICALS.

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The *Colored Harvest*, devoted to the interests of the Colored Missions is something deserving the notice of Catholics throughout this country. In it are traced the designs of St. Joseph's society for the Colored mission in the United States, a most noble and most necessary work. We all know the deplorable state of the Negro, how he has been neglected even by those who take all the credit of having given him liberty, till to-day the majority of the seven millions of negroes are without any form of religious belief and are steeped in all the deplorable evils which inevitably result from neglect of religious influence. This paper makes a touching appeal to the generosity of our people and those who can should not be slow to assist this holy work of redeeming the colored race. It has the approbation of Cardinal Gibbons and many other prelates. Published by Rev. J. R. Slattey, St. Joseph's Seminary Baltimore, Md.

We have received the initial number of "The Poor Souls Advocate" a monthly periodical which will be published henceforth for the good of the Souls in Purgatory. As the editor remarks in his prospectus, "Every form of human suffering has called forth public and private charitable institutions, that appeal to the sympathy of fellow-men for assistance and relief. . . . The devotion to the souls in Purgatory alone is without a special organ which should thoroughly explain and ever aim to impress the necessities of this devotion upon the minds of the faithful. The great sufferers in eternity alone have no mediator, no advocate, to invoke constantly the charity of men in their behalf." This office the *Advocate* will endeavor to fill toward

the poor souls and if we are to judge from the solid matter and beauty shown in the make up of the first number we have no doubt but that it will attain its end. It is a holy work and deserves the fullest sympathy and heartiest approbation of all men and we take the greatest pleasure in recommending it to all. Price \$1.50 per year. Rev F. B. Lebbermann Man. 318 Main St. Evansville Ind.

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#### EXCHANGES.

An exchange says: "United States History tells us that among the Indians, before Columbus came to America the women were allowed to vote for the Sachem or the chief of the tribe." We might add, also that they were accorded the privilege of doing all the work.

The *Emory Phoenix* has some good articles in its October issue. The leading one a Reply to Mr. Black again is a pointed and stirring answer in which the writer condemns woman suffrage and gives many weighty reasons for such condemnation. The writer has ably defended his point and his argument will convince more people who think than will the sophistry which is evidently the material of Mr. Black's argument. "Jefferson Davis" while good in a literary way, is we must say rather highly painted. That Mr. Davis distinguished himself in the Mexican War, as did Southerners generally we do not deny, but where his friends can claim anything creditable for him in the last step he took in the late war we cannot realize. As to the "nation" the writer mentions, it is new to us. That a prospective nation was in view we admit, but that a section of a country which usurps a lawful authority, frames a sort of government, appoints officers and endeavors to maintain such usurpation by force of arms, that such an attempt will constitute a nation is against all the experience of mankind. We became a nation only when the Revolution closed. Then our Declaration had effect and weight and then only could we look upon ourselves as a free people and demand such recognition from foreign nations. We admire the ambition of the exchange man of the *Phoenix* who wishes to increase his exchange list till he will have a sufficient monthly exchange to enable him to put papers under all carpets of the house. Have you got the carpets yet?

The *Delphic* has come around once more. Its form is neat and its matter solid. "Culture" is a very good article containing some practical points. The exchange man is sharp and cuts clear. He seems to have drawn some of his fellow eds. upon his head for sharp things said. We like the tone of the paper and hope it will be a steady caller.



## CATHOLIC NOTES.

Bishop Keane will soon go to Rome to procure professors for the new Catholic University.

The monks of Chatreux, France, made a present of \$100,000 to the Pope.

There are in Spain 221 monasteries with 4,220 monks, and 1,109 convents with 25,000 nuns.

The Bishop of Rochester and Father Lambert sailed for Rome on the French steamer *La Normandie* Nov. 13.

The body of the late Archbishop Seghers of Alaska has been brought to Victoria, B. C. by the United States man-of-war *Thetis*.

The installment of Bishop Foley took place at the pro-cathedral, Detroit, Mich. on Sunday, the 25th. with Pontifical High Mass.

A new Bishop is soon to be appointed to the vacant See of Natches. The Bishops of the province held a meeting recently for this purpose.

Hon. Hugh J. Grant, mayor elect of the city of New York has made a gift of \$1,000 to the fund for the erection of an Archdiocesan seminary in that state.

Right Rev. S. V. Ryan, of Buffalo, celebrated, with Solemn Pontifical High Mass, the twentieth anniversary of his consecration.

In Baltimore there are three churches, three day schools, one seminary, two convents, and several other institutions exclusively for the colored people.

Pope Leo is making arrangements for holding a consistory, at which he will deliver an allocution concerning the visit to His Holiness of the Emperor of Germany.

In all the churches of the Jesuit and Redemptorist Fathers throughout the country Triduums will be held in honor of the newly canonized saints, and the beatification of the Blessed Hofbauer.

The finest building in an educational way now going up in Boston is an Italian Catholic school located on the site of what was once a Protestant church.

Pope Leo has appointed the 31st day of December, 1888, for a special service in the Catholic churches throughout the world, at which thanks are to be offered up to the Sacred Heart of Jesus for graces received during the year of the Papal Jubilee.

The Board of Directors of the Catholic University held a meeting at Baltimore a short time ago, and elected Rev. P. J. Garrigan, of Fitchburg, Mass. Vice Rector of the institution. The reverend gentleman will at once take up his residence in Washington, and devote his entire time to the completion of the university.

The consecration of Bishop-elect Hennessy, of Wichita, Kan. will take place next Friday, the 23rd. of November. Archbishop, Kenrick will be the officiating prelate, and he will be assisted by Bishops Hennessy, of Dubuque, Iowa, and Fink, of Leavenworth, Kan., Bishop Spaulding of Peoria, Ills. will preach the sermon.

According to a dispatch from Rome to the *Abservateur Français* the consistory for the creation of the new Cardinals has been fixed for the month of December. Among those who will be raised to that honor are Mgr. Macchi, Majordomo, and Mgr. Annibale, Assessor of the Holy Office.

Pope Leo XIII has addressed a Brief to His Eminence Cardinal Lavigieri on the anti-slavery crusade.

Accompanying the strong words of approval for his great work is a gift of \$51,000 for the glorious undertaking which the Cardinal has so successfully preached throughout Europe.

It is a great mistake for a Catholic young man to think that a manly profession and practice of their faith is an impediment to their business success; and that in order to win worldly prosperity they must become members of secret societies. The American people, as a rule, honor independence of character and loyalty to conviction, and despise the cowardly traitor to conscience. If a Catholic young man is sober, capable, industrious and faithful he need have no fear that his religion will prevent him from attaining the highest heights of business and political success. (Cath. Union and Times.)

A valuable and interesting memento of the recent Papal Jubilee has been transmitted by direction of Pope Leo XIII to the British Museum Library, the Bodlian Library, and the Library at Cambridge University. The gift which has been sent through the hands of the Papal Secretary of State, consists of a series of sumptuous reproductions of many of the most noteworthy and ancient manuscripts in the possession of the Vatican. Among these, in addition to the numerous other important gems are the Ethiopic Codex presented to the Holy See by King Menelek, of Abyssinia, and a magnificent replica of the celebrated manuscripts of the Gospels, emblazoned in gold and silver on a purple ground.

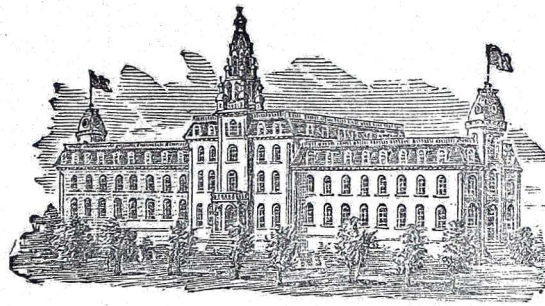
We learn from the "Catholic Union and Times," that a valuable book, titled "Aristotle, and the Christian Church" has been recently written by Brother Azarias of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. That distinguished author points out the difference between Catholic faith—and Catholic philosophy and shows how the schoolmen who took Aristotle as a basis, developed, supplemented, or modified his principles as occasion required until they built us a system of metaphysics in harmony with revelation. He shows also that when in 1209 and 1228, the philosophy of Aristotle was condemned, at first by the Provincial Council of Paris and afterwards by the Supreme Pontiff Gregory IX, it was because the versions of Aristotle, in use at that time, were corrupt. The same pontiff gave power to three professors to examine the books which were prohibited a short time before by the Council of Paris, and after eliminating everything dangerous to religion, to restore them to their place in the course of study.

This work of Brother Azarias should be carefully perused both by the enemies and friends of scholasticism.

Our Holy Father has just issued a decree, which orders that the last day of the year the thirty-first day of December, shall be observed as a day of thanksgiving in honor of the Sacerdotal Jubilee. On that day all the principal churches, cathedrals, colleges, parish churches, and other places approved by the Ordinary, the Most Holy Sacrament of the Eucharist shall be exposed in honor of the Sacred Heart; five decades of the Rosary are to be recited, and after the Ambrosian Hymn and "Tantum Ergo" and the additional, prayers, "Deus cujus Misericordiae, Concede Nos," and the Collects, for the Pope and the Church, the Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament shall be given to the faithful. To those who approach the Holy Sacraments and assist at the Benediction, give thanks to the Sacred Heart, and pray for the Apostolic See, and the conversion of sinners, a plenary indulgence applicable to the souls in Purgatory is granted. (Catholic American.)



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