

Persons and Facts

Rev. Father Joly's new church at St. Pierre will be blessed on the 19th of this month.

The "Times" Pekin correspondent points out that the quarrel of France with the Holy See will cause France to lose influence in China. The same paper says: "It has been suggested that the Pope should appoint a legate in China, and, as this proposition was originally made before the present difficulties between the Church of Rome and the French Government became acute, and was abandoned only in deference to the feelings of the latter, it is quite possible that it may now be carried into effect."

In Letterkenny Cathedral, on the 23rd ult., the twelfth centenary of St. Eunan, ninth Abbot of Iona and first Bishop of Raphoe, was celebrated. The Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell presided at the ceremonies. The panegyric of the Saint was preached in Irish by Mgr. M'Glynn, P.P., V.G.

The Commission appointed several months ago by Pius X. to supervise the preparation of the Vatican edition of the Gregorian Chant have concluded their sittings at Appuldurcombe Abbey, Wroxall, Isle of Wight.

At the recent unveiling in York Minster, of a memorial to those of the Duke of Wellington's West Riding Regiment, who fell in South Africa, a Catholic officer, General Kelly-Kenny, took a leading part, and the Anglican Archbishop of York was among the listeners to the little lay sermon preached by the General on the duties of the living and the example of the dead.

In the summary of Catholic progress in the Pacific Ocean, contributed by Dom Maternus Spitz, O.S.B., to "Illustrated Catholic Missions," the Vicariate of Fiji figures with a Catholic population of over 12,000, out of a total population of over 122,000, of whom 98,000 are natives. Fiji is now about to obtain a new constitution to be proclaimed this month, when a partially representative government will be substituted for the Crown colony government hitherto in force.

The Winnipeg Electric Street Railway find their St. Boniface car service so well patronized that they are credited with the laudable intention of making that service a twelve-minute one.

Miss Sutherland, the great elocutionist, is going to give "Every Man" in the Y.M.C.A. auditorium on the 24th inst. Catholics should make a point of attending in force, for "Every Man" is a thoroughly Catholic and pious play, written and staged before the Reformation had reached England. It represents the journey of the soul through life to heaven. Miss Sutherland uses a copy of the old edition of 1529, and is enthusiastic over the quaint ethereal charm of this great play, which took New York by storm a year or two ago.

Considering that there are so many ways of crossing the Atlantic, it was rather a curious coincidence that the three new professors from Great Britain for the Manitoba University Science Department sailed from Liverpool by the steamship "Ionian" without any previous understanding among themselves. Doctors Buller and Vincent had already met some time before, but Dr. Parker did not know either of the other two. They had been 24 hours on board the steamer, on which Archbishop Langevin also sailed, before they realized that all three professors had the same destination. They began their University lectures on Wednesday.

Clerical News.

Rev. Father Frigon, O.M.I., returned last Saturday from Michigan, where he had been preaching retreats.

Rev. Father Bellemare, S.J., who has been supplying for Father Plante, returned last Monday. Rev. Father Plante, S.J., telegraphs from Marinette, Wis., that he has another retreat that will put off his return till the 16th inst. Meanwhile Rev. S. Veilleux, S.J., is acting bursar of St. Boniface College.

Rev. Father Vales, O.M.I., of Fort Alexander, was here last week.

Rev. V. P. Jutras, of Tyngwick, Que., who had been spending a fortnight with his brother, Rev. N. Jutras, at Letellier, returned east on Tuesday.

Rev. Father Maillard, of Fort Ellice, who came in on Monday to place his sister, Jeanne, at the St. Boniface boarding convent, says there has been hardly any rain all summer in that district and the harvest is fairly good.

Rev. Father Borgonie, superior of the Brandon Redemptorists, came here on Monday to pay his respects to the Archbishop, and returned on Wednesday.

Rev. Father Gendreau, O.M.I., of Rat Portage, was one of the many visiting clergy who came to do honor to His Grace.

On Sunday evening His Grace presided at the closing exercises of the students' annual retreat in the chapel of St. Boniface College and afterwards took supper with the Jesuit Fathers. His Grace was full of most interesting information about the Holy Father on the same lines as he followed in his admirable reply to the address in the cathedral. This reply is reproduced verbatim in another column. On Tuesday morning the Archbishop conferred the order of deaconship on Rev. Joseph Prud'homme and spoke eloquently in both languages to the students of St. Boniface College assembled in the chapel to witness the impressive rite. The Archbishop has also visited St. Mary's presbytery, the Holy Ghost Fathers and St. Mary's Academy. In fact much of his spare time has been spent in responding to invitations from the various religious communities in St. Boniface and Winnipeg.

Next Sunday Rev. Joseph Prud'homme will be ordained priest in the cathedral by His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface, and the following day they will both leave for Montreal, Mgr. Langevin to attend a meeting of Bishops, and the new priest to start for Rome, where he will prepare for the doctorate in divinity.

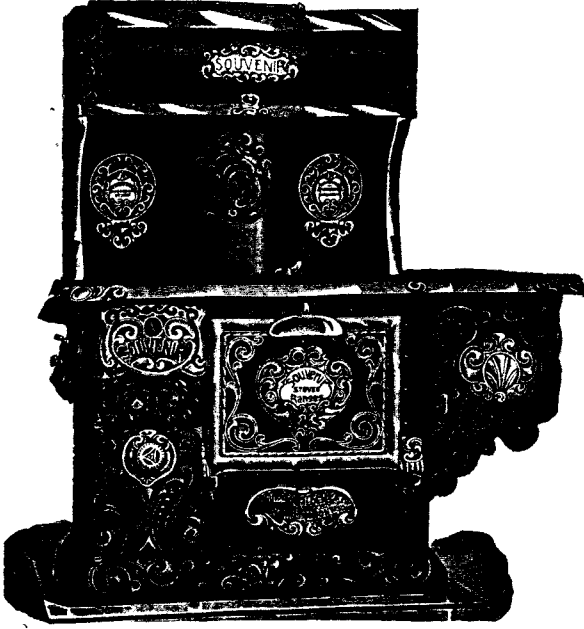
Mgr. Agius, the new Apostolic delegate to the Philippines, was consecrated on Sunday titular Archbishop of Palmyra in the Church of St. Ambrose, Rome. The consecrating clergy were Cardinal Merry del Val and Archbishops Stonor and Chapelle, the last-named being himself the first Apostolic delegate to the Philippines. Among those present at the ceremony were the Agius family, which had come to Rome specially for the occasion, including Mr. Edward Agius of London and Mr. Edward Agius of Newcastle.—"Catholic Times," (England), Sept. 23.

Some sixty priests, secular and regular, were entertained at dinner last Tuesday in the large dining hall of the Archbishop's palace by special invitation of the Very Rev. Vicar General Dugas. Mgr. Ritchot, whose health has improved of late, was present and talked with much of his pristine spirit. The Vicar General spoke a few words of special clerical greeting, to which His Grace replied, entering into many more details than he did when describing his journey to the parishioners in the cathedral. For instance he said that one of his fellow pilgrims on the good ship "L'Etoile" was the Rev. Lord Archibald Dugas, who served the Archbishop's Mass every morning with childlike piety.

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