

## RELIGIOUS NEWS ITEMS.

Bishop Neraz, of San Antonio, Texas, who has been seriously ill, is greatly improved.

Corpus Christi church, Newport, Ky., will celebrate its golden jubilee next Sunday.

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There is a talk of a Catholic Church near Harvard University for the accommodation of Catholic students attending the college.

The cause of the beatification of Christopher Columbus will again be brought before the Congregation of Rites in October.

The King of Portugal has ordered by a decree, signed by all the ministers, that the Centenary of St. Anthony of Padua be a national feast.

Brother Maurelian, the former secretary of the Catholic Educational Exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago, sailed on the 10th inst. for Paris.

The official census of Ireland gives 3,949,738 Catholics and 1,186,696 Protestants. This brings the population up again to a little over 5,000,000.

Cardinal Ledochowski, Prefect of the Propaganda, has returned to Rome after a short stay in Switzerland. His Eminence is now enjoying good health.

It was announced in the four Catholic churches of Pekin, China, recently that the government had taken measures for the protection of Christians throughout that kingdom.

Mrs. Potter Palmer, president of the ladies' section of the World's Fair, has sent the Pope a letter of thanks for the effective patronage with which he forwarded the work of that department.

Twenty-seven million francs has already been spent on the great church of the Sacred Heart at Montmartre, and the building is far from complete. The money has been raised entirely by voluntary contributions.

If the cable correctly outlines the character of the letter which the Holy Father is said to be about to address to the American prelates, an important change in the government of the Church in this country is impending.

The oldest Catholic Church in New England is at Damariscotta Mills, Me., and was built more than 100 years ago. It is still occupied for religious purposes one Sunday in each month. The interior is said to be decorated and furnished like a drawing-room.

The San Salvador extradition cases have been decided by Judge Morrow, of San Francisco, who holds that Gen. Czeta, Bolonas and Basementa committed only political offenses. Col. Juan Cienfuegos, however, can be extradited, he having committed murder.

The Chinese officers responsible for the recent outrages upon missionaries have been condemned by the government of China to have their heads cut off, while the rioters are made to rebuild the chapels. Liberal compensation will be given the families of the victims.

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There are in England 5,250 Tertiaries under Capuchin jurisdiction. So say the statistical papers just issued from the offices of the Father General, Rome. In Bavaria there are 80,000 Tertiaries, in Paris 8,200, in Ireland 1,600, in the North Tyrol 65,200, in Umbria 2,750, and in Trent 20,010.

The Polish Roman Catholic Union, which some days ago met in annual session at Cleveland, Ohio, passed a resolution condemning in severe terms the Kolaszewski schism. The union is composed of 169 societies and represented in twenty-three states of the union.

Dr. Bouquillon, the eminent professor of moral theology at the Catholic University, reached New York Tuesday morning from Antwerp on the Noordland in

excellent health, after a three months' absence in Europe. The professor spent the greater part of his vacation in travelling about France, Belgium, Holland and Germany, attending congresses and investigating the systems of education employed in the universities of those countries.

The cornerstone of the new forty-five-thousand-dollar church at College Point, L. I., was laid Sunday afternoon in the presence of about four thousand persons. Right Rev. Charles E. McDonnell, Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island, laid the stone. He was assisted by ten priests. Rev. H. Mitchell, chancellor of the diocese, delivered a sermon in English and Rev. P. Dauffenbach one in German.

## REV. J. G. B. CARRIER, C. S. C.

Perhaps one of the most noted scientists of America, and one whose reputation as a scientist is synonymous with that of pastor, college president, writer and philosopher, is the subject of this sketch. The soul of gentleness, he was among the first to offer his services to the Government during the late Rebellion, and remained for two years ministering to the spiritual wants of the soldiers, until finally recalled by his superiors to a position of trust in the great University of Notre Dame, Ind.

Joseph Celestine Basil Carrier was born in France in the year 1833, and was the youngest of a large family. His parents were distinguished for their intelligence, probity and piety. He was taught the elements of the French, Italian and Latin languages by a private tutor of great repute and learning, and at the age of nine years he entered college, carrying from the start all the first prizes, and graduating at the age of seventeen. Soon after, he accepted the professorship of the physical sciences in his alma. His early training gave him a peculiar fitness for the arduous duties of after-life, while his association with the most distinguished scholars and servants of the day enabled him to acquire that wonderful facility of research which has enabled him to accumulate the vast stores of knowledge for which he is justly famed, and from which so many have benefitted. At the age of twenty-one, he resolved to come to this country, with the intention of becoming a missionary; but unwilling to become a secular priest, he made application and was received into the Congregation of the Holy Cross, at Notre Dame, Indiana. The following year, he made his religious profession and was raised to the priesthood. His first appointment was that of professor of classics in the University of Notre Dame. From there he was installed as pastor of St. Patrick's Church, South Bend, Indiana.

In 1863, at the urgent request of Mrs. General W. T. Sherman, whose sons were at that time attending Notre Dame, Father Carrier was sent by his superiors to visit the Federal Army then invading Vicksburg, where General Sherman and two brothers of his wife were in command of an army corps and brigades. While there he was offered the official position of U. S. Chaplain, which he accepted and held for two years until finally recalled from the seat of war and appointed as Assistant Superior to the late Very Rev. Edward Sorin, at that time President of the University of Notre Dame. In 1866 he visited France in the interest of his Community, and while there was received in private audience by the Emperor Napoleon III., for whom he had dispatches from the French Minister at Washington. The Emperor, at parting, presented him with many valuable gifts for the University. Amongst others was a magnificent telescope and a colossal ostensorium, while the Empress Eugenie gave a gold chalice of exquisite workmanship and a crown studded with precious stones for the statue of the Blessed Virgin which had just been placed in position on the dome of the main building of the University. Father Carrier relates the following incident of his visit to the Emperor. "On arriving at the entrance to the palace, I was met by one of the chamberlains who demanded to know my business; 'I wish to see the Emperor,' said I. 'Are you a soldier?' asked the guard; 'greater than that!' I responded. 'Perhaps you are a lieutenant?' 'Greater than that!' said I. 'Can it be that you are a General?' 'Greater than that!' said I, drawing myself up to my full height. 'Are you a Prince?' questioned the guard; 'Greater than that!' I again replied;

"Surely you are not a King?" said the mystified guardian. "Ah! far greater than that!" I replied; "Pray who are you?" asked the much puzzled man. Looking him square in the face, I answered with all the dignity I could command: "I am a citizen of the United States!" It is needless to say that I was soon piloted into the private apartments of his Majesty, and that later on, when I related to the Emperor the joke I had played on the guard, he enjoyed it greatly.

In 1867, in addition to his professional duties he was appointed Superior of the Scholasticate and Director of the Scientific Department of the University of Notre Dame, which position he held until 1874. During this time, a number of young men who have since risen to great prominence were his pupils. Among them may be mentioned the scholarly Rev. J. A. Zahm and A. M. Kirsch, of the University of Notre Dame, the accomplished editor of the Ave Maria, the Rev. D. E. Hudson, and the late Rev. John O'Connell, all of the Congregation of the Holy Cross. In 1874, Father Carrier was appointed President of St. Mary's College, Galveston, Texas, where he remained for two years; and, his health failing, he was recalled North, and for the last seventeen years he has taught in St. Laurent College, near Montreal, Canada, where he organized the Scientific Department, prepared the way to affiliation with Laval University, taught the physical and natural sciences and the higher mathematics, besides founding one of the largest museums and libraries to be found in the Dominion.

Father Carrier is a member of a number of learned societies, both in this country and in Europe, and is a Master of Arts and a Licentiate of Science, besides being entitled to write a string of letters after his name which would puzzle the ordinary student to determine. He has published numerous scientific lectures and essays, besides contributing many articles for different French and English magazines. He was awarded a diploma of Honor and a medal by the World's Fair Commissioners for an Herbarium which is now in the University of Notre Dame; he was also awarded a medal and a diploma at the Provincial Exhibition, held in Montreal in 1892, for a classified collection of Canadian plants.

In appearance, Father Carrier is above the general height, with keen, piercing blue eyes, a splendid physique and martial bearing. In appearance, he has been likened to Von Moltke. He retains all the suavity, diplomacy and politeness of the Parisian; and, in addition, glories in the fact that he is a citizen of the United States. He is still a close student and when not actively engaged in class duties is to be found delving with all the enthusiasm of a novice into the scientific problems of the day: "There is so much to be learned," he says, "and as yet I am only on the threshold of that vast storehouse which contains all the wisdom and treasures of the universe!"

His students of to-day are as active and energetic as those of earlier years, and never weary of listening to his learned dissertations. Above all, he is the true priest, the counsellor of the young, the thorough religious with whom the service of God is the chief affair of life, all else is subservient to this. A walk of ten or twelve miles does not fatigue him in the least; and it not unfrequently happens that those students who accompany him on his rambles for specimens, find themselves exhausted, while their instructor is as fresh as at the start. He is a man easy of access, a brilliant conversationalist and thoroughly in touch with the times.—B. O. *In the New World.*

## Irish News.

J. J. Harding, of Ballincollig, and Edward Rice, of Strawhill, Fermoy, have been appointed justices of the peace for the County Cork.

The death occurred on September 7, at the Convent of Meroy, Ballinamore, of Mother Mary Joseph Holohan, aged seventy-five years.

John Noble, of Lurgan, was loading one of his carts on Sept. 10, when his horse moved forward and he fell on the pavement, sustaining injuries to the head and spine. Mr. Noble died the next day.

The monthly meeting of the governors of the Monaghan and Cavan District Lunatic Asylum was held on September 18 in Monaghan. There were two appli-

cations for the position of head nurse—one from Miss E. A. Johnston, of Poplar Vale, and the other from Miss Keogh, of the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Dublin. Miss Keogh was appointed.

William Joyce, of the Royal Irish Constabulary of Meath, and Miss Bridget Mills, daughter of the late Patrick Mills, of Balmullet, County Mayo, were married in the Catholic church in the latter place on September 6, by the Very Rev. Henry Hewson, V.F.

The election held at Thomastown, on the 14th ult., for the purpose of returning a member to represent South Kilkenny in Parliament in place of P. A. Chance, resigned, resulted in the unopposed return of Samuel Morris, J.P., of New Rath, Nationalist.

The death took place at Roscommon on the 12th ult. of F. J. Finlay. He always took an active part in Irish National politics. Mr. Finlay was for many years a town commissioner of Roscommon, and since the Irish Education Act came into operation he filled the position of inspector under the committee.

John Barry, residing at Ballylongane, ten miles from Middletown, died on Sept. 9, at the age of 112 years. He well remembered the stirring episodes of 1796 and 1798. Barry's principal occupation was "bagging" fowl for the sporting gentry, whom he regularly attended on their annual excursion trips in the district.

A parishioner of St. Peter's Church, Drogheda, Mr. John Kelly, of Fair street, has presented an altar to the new church to the memory of the martyr Primate, Oliver Plunkett, at a cost of £1,000. This is only one of the many generous acts of Mr. Kelly in the interest of religion and charity in his native town.

The death of the Very Rev. Father O'Reilly, O. S. F. C., of Dublin, took place on Sept. 3. Father O'Reilly was born at Castlepollard, County Meath, sixty-three years ago. He entered Carlow College at an early age, and made his preparatory studies for the priesthood there. He joined the Capuchin Order under Father Theobald Mathew, and proceeded to Belgium to complete his ecclesiastical course. He was ordained priest in 1854, and since then his career has been most distinguished. For over twenty years he was Superior of the Capuchin Convent in Dublin, and for several years Provincial of the Order. He was a very eloquent preacher.

A painful example of religious rancor was in evidence in Downpatrick on Sept. 8. The County Infirmary being in this town the Sisters of Mercy have been in the habit of paying a visit on Sunday to the Catholic patients who are the majority. There was no proselytizing, preaching nor praying aloud, and the visits were strictly confined to Catholics and those who desired to see the nuns. However, there was a meeting of the governors and subsequently the registrar of the infirmary was despatched to inform the nuns that they could not in future visit the institution. No complaint was made against them; no reason for the peremptory order was given.

A scene of a remarkable character occurred at the butter market in Tipperary on the 12th ult. It was discovered that amongst the butter offered for sale were a lot of ten firkins, the produce of the evicted farms on the Cloncurry estate, near Murroe, from whence Father Humphreys, of Tipperary, and the late Matthew Duhay had been evicted, and which were grabbed some time ago. When this was learned, the butter merchants, without exception, refused to recognize it, with the result that the sellers and itself were made the objects of much jeering and other unfriendly demonstrations. The police kept a vigilant eye on the grabbers, but they were unable to assist them any further, and eventually the butter had to be re-carted back again to Murroe.

## JUDICIAL NOTICE TO ANN DOYLE.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given to Ann Doyle, whose maiden name was Ann Cassidy, and who was the wife of Thomas Doyle, in his lifetime of the City of Ottawa, in the Province of Ontario, deceased, and who went to the City of Montreal about 19 years ago, and who was, when last heard from about 18 years ago, a cook on a steamboat sailing from the said City of Montreal, if she be still living, to communicate, on or before the first day of December 1894 with MESSRS. GORMAN & FRIPP, 74 Sparks Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Solicitors for the Administrators of the estate of the said Thomas Doyle, deceased; or in default thereof she will be excluded from all claim to dower or otherwise in said estate.

Dated 22nd September 1894.  
W. M. MATHESON,  
Local Master at Ottawa, Ontario;