

INTERCOLONIAL

The Corpus Christi celebration at Manly this year was even more successful than that of 1904. No less than 25,000 were taken over by nine steamers, the large concourse of people being from all parts of Sydney and suburbs.

A movement is on foot by the Bathurst ex-students of St. Mary's College to erect a suitable memorial in the cemetery to the late venerable Mother Mary Ignatius Croke, the foundress of the Order of Mercy in the West.

Two beautiful stained glass memorial windows have recently been presented to St. George's Church, Carlton, by Messrs. George and Lancelot Ievers, in memory of their father and mother, the late Councillor William and Mary Harrison Ievers.

There was a large gathering on Sunday, June 18, at the convent schoolroom, Tumut, for the purpose of presenting the Very Rev. Father O'Dwyer, parish priest of Tumut, with a purse of sovereigns. Father O'Dwyer has been ill for a considerable time, and proposes to take a holiday trip.

Rev. W. Gannon, S.J., of Riverview College, Sydney, has left for Ireland, where he will resume his studies for the priesthood. The rev. gentleman, who has been for the past three years a Master at Riverview, previously labored in a similar capacity at Kew College, Melbourne.

His Lordship the Right Rev. Dr. Dunne, Bishop of Bathurst, is now visiting different parts of his diocese, preparatory to proceeding to Rome and Ireland early next year. The Bishop of Armidale (Right Rev. Dr. O'Connor) and the Rev. Father J. Dunne, of Campbelltown, will probably accompany his Lordship.

The Victorian Government Statist, Mr. McLean, estimates the population of the Commonwealth, on March 31, exclusive of full-blooded aborigines, at 2,101,783 males, 1,898,152 females, total, 3,999,935. He returns Victoria as containing 604,587 males, and 695,934 females (total 1,310,530), and New South Wales 776,149 males, and 689,181 females (total 1,465,330).

The business of Messrs. Meagher and Co. has been converted into a limited company. It has been registered with a capital of £50,000, and will trade as John Meagher and Co., Limited. The governing director is the Hon. John Meagher, and the directors are Messrs. P. Meagher (Temora), M. Meagher (Bathurst), J. P. Meagher (West Wyalong), and M. J. Meagher (Sydney).

The portfolios of the Commonwealth Ministry have been allotted as follows:—Premier and Minister of Internal Affairs, Mr. Deakin (Victoria); Attorney-General, Hon. J. A. Isaacs (Victoria); Customs, Sir W. J. Lyne (New South Wales); Treasurer, Sir John Forrest (Western Australia); Postmaster-General, Mr. A. Chapman (New South Wales); Defence, Senator T. Playford (South Australia); Home Affairs, Hon. L. E. Groom (Queensland); Vice-President of the Executive, Hon. T. T. Ewing (New South Wales); Honorary Minister, Senator J. H. Keating (Tasmania).

The Very Rev. Father M. J. Buckley, of Junee, celebrated his sacerdotal silver jubilee on Sunday, June 25, amidst great rejoicings on the part of people of other denominations, as well as his own people. High Mass was celebrated for the first time in St. Joseph's Church, the preacher being the Very Rev. Father M. Slattery, V.G., who represented Bishop Gallagher. The banquet was afterwards held in the schoolroom, at which Father Buckley was presented with a purse containing 150 sovereigns on behalf of the Catholics of the district and his Protestant friends.

His Grace Archbishop Murphy (saves the Hobart 'Mercury,' June 17) celebrates his 90th birthday tomorrow (Waterloo Day), and will, doubtless, receive congratulations from all parts of the world. For exactly 40 years his Grace has labored in our midst, earning here as elsewhere golden encomiums from all those with whom he has been brought in contact. It is 67 years since he entered the priesthood, and 58 since he performed the funeral obsequies of the great Liberator, Daniel O'Connell, and commenced a twenty years' mission in India, which was attended with remarkable success. It is 17 years since his Grace celebrated the golden jubilee of his priesthood, when Hobart was raised by the Pope to the dignity of an archiepiscopal See, the pallium being conferred upon him in the following year, and finally, it is nearly nine years since the fiftieth anniversary of the episcopal consecration of his Grace was celebrated in all the churches of the land. We desire to be included among those who congratulate his Grace on the attainment of his 90th year.

Friends at Court

GLEANINGS FOR NEXT WEEK'S CALENDAR

July 16.—Sunday.—Fifth Sunday after Pentecost. Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

„ 17, Monday.—St. Leo IV., Pope and Confessor.

„ 18, Tuesday.—St. Camille de Lellis, Confessor.

„ 19, Wednesday.—St. Symmachus, Pope and Confessor.

„ 20, Thursday.—St. Jerome Emilian, Confessor.

„ 21, Friday.—St. Alexis, Confessor.

„ 22, Saturday.—St. Mary Magdalen, Penitent.

St. Leo IV., Pope and Confessor.

St. Leo IV. was Pope from 847 to 855. The eight years of his pontificate were employed chiefly in arming and defending the Roman State against the Saracens, over whom he gained a complete victory. He encompassed the Vatican hill with walls and towers, and founded what has been called after him the 'Leonine City.' In 850 he crowned Louis II., son of Lothaire, emperor, and appointed as King the young Alfred of England, afterwards surnamed the Great. In 850 and 852 he held Synods at Rome, at which canons were enacted enforcing ecclesiastical discipline.

St. Camille de Lellis, Confessor.

St. Camille de Lellis was a priest of the diocese of Thiene, and was the founder of the Camillians, or Fathers of Good Death, a religious Order which was approved by the Holy See in 1585. These religious take care of the sick and wounded in hospitals and on the battlefield. St. Camille died in 1614, at the age of 65 years, and was canonised by Benedict XIV.

St. Symmachus, Pope and Confessor.

St. Symmachus, who was Pope from 498 to 514, was born in Sardinia. He was the successor of Athanasius II. He zealously combated the heresies of Nestorius and Eutyches, and some writers attribute to him the introduction in the Mass of the 'Gloria in Excelsis.'

St. Jerome Emilian, Confessor.

St. Jerome Emilian belonged to a noble Venetian family. Upon the death of his father, when he was about fifteen years of age, he entered the army, to the great affliction of his mother, who soon beheld him fall into a dissolute way of life through the bad example of his companions. Having received a commission from the Venetian Senate to relieve the garrison of Castellnuovo, which was invested by a German army, Jerome succeeded in effecting an entrance to the citadel, and in repelling for some time the assaults of the enemy. Upon the fall of the castle he was seized, loaded with chains, and cast into a dark dungeon. In these straits he began to reflect with anguish on the state of his soul, and with sighs and tears acknowledged the justice of God, in thus treating him according to his merits. Suddenly a ray of hope penetrated his heart when he thought of the tender mercy of our Blessed Lady, and he made a vow on the spot, in case of his deliverance, to visit barefoot her celebrated shrine of Treviso, and there publish aloud her bounty in his regard. As soon as he completed the terms of his vow he returned to Venice, and, renouncing the honors and offices of the State, devoted himself henceforth to the service of God and the relief of the afflicted poor.

Messrs. Ashby, Bergh, and Co., Ltd., the well known and long-established firm of wholesale and retail ironmongers, High Street, Christchurch, are now showing a very large assortment of goods suitable for presents of every description, including opera and field glasses, flower stands, silver hair brushes, toilet requisites, ornaments in gold and silver, card, cigar, and dressing cases, Gladstone and other bags, etc. The stock is a very extensive one, and of a very superior kind, and well worth the inspection of visitors to, or residents of the City of the Plains.

One of the most useful things about a farm in the winter time is a handy Root Pulper and Slicer, one with a double hopper is preferable so the one side can be used for pulping and the other for slicing, with a dividing leaf that shuts off either side as desired. By means of one of these pulpers the stock can be kept in good condition throughout the cold weather. The price of a Cockshutt Double Hopper combined Pulper and Slicer is £5 10s delivered. MORROW, BASSETT, & CO., DUNEDIN...

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