

Recent Deaths.

Among recent deaths of notable French ecclesiastics are those of Father Campana, of the Congregation of the Holy Ghost; Father Bureau, Vicar-General of Paris, and Father Favard, Procurator-General of the Congregation of Oblates of Mary Immaculate.

ROME.—Scots College.

At the general ordination of St. John's on Ember Saturday by Cardinal Respighi, the following students received Holy Orders, viz.:—The Rev. John Gray, of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, who was ordained priest, and the Rev. Alistair Smith-Steinmetz, also of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, who received the diaconate. Messrs. Alexander Walton, of Westminster; Alexander Mackintosh, of Glasgow; John Noonan, of Dunkeld, and Alfred Smith-Steinmetz of St. Andrews and Edinburgh, received the tonsure.

SCOTLAND.—Catholic Statistics

The 'Catholic Directory' for Scotland supplies statistics regarding the Catholic body in the various dioceses of Scotland. In December, 1901, there were in Scotland 476 Catholic priests, 394 of these being seculars, as the ordinary parochial clergy are termed, and 82 regulars, or priests of the various religious Orders, such as Franciscans, Jesuits, Redemptorists, Passionists, and others. Glasgow has much the largest number of priests as compared with any other city or district. There are 220 'missions,' or parishes, possessing 351 churches, chapels, or stations. The monasteries and convents number 62 in all Scotland. There are 250 Catholic parochial schools, and the estimated Catholic population numbers over 432,000. These numbers show enormous increase on the figures of the previous year.

French Nuns.

A large mansion house and grounds, known under the name of Russell House, Trinity, Edinburgh, have been secured for a convent to accommodate French nuns of the strictly enclosed Carmelite Order, who have come from Lourdes. Some two or three years ago these nuns, anticipating the action of the French Government, sent a small community to Oakley, near Dumfermline, where through the generosity of Mr. Smith-Sligo, of Inzievar, they started a convent in the immediate neighborhood of his house. Since then the community has been increased to 22 by additional arrivals, and the time has now come for them to seek a permanent house.

A Jubilee.

The sacerdotal jubilee of the Very Rev. Canon MacLuskey, M.R., St. John's, Glasgow, was celebrated with much rejoicing. The Lord Provost of Glasgow took part in the proceedings.

A Convert.

An Edinburgh correspondent writes:—Mr. Charleson received the Sacrament of Confirmation the other Sunday. Mr. Charleson is residing at his home in Shawlands, and will presently go to Rome to pursue his ecclesiastical studies.

UNITED STATES.

Persons inclined to question the self-sacrificing devotion of the members of the Catholic Sisterhoods (writes a Trenton correspondent) have had very little to say in regard to this question since a case of the dreaded small-pox has broken out here and two Sisters from St. Francis' Hospital were the only ones the authorities could get to nurse the victim. Even before there was a formal request for their services the Sisters hastened to volunteer, and it is needless to add that their offer was eagerly accepted. The action of the Sisters in volunteering their services calls forth especial commendation

when it is remembered they performed a similar office a year ago, and at that time the city did not see fit to reimburse the hospital any further than to pay for the clothing the Sisters had to have destroyed after leaving the bedside of the patient.

An Extensive Diocese.

A glimpse into the difficulties still remaining for workers in the Church's cause in our immense country (says an American exchange) is not a bad thing for us in the East. What do we realise, for instance, of a diocese, the extent of which is 153,768 square miles? This is Bishop Scanlon's diocese of Salt Lake City, comprising all of Utah and six counties in the State of Nevada. Its Bishop has ridden 2000 miles on horseback on a single trip, and fifty or sixty miles in a day; he has walked in one day 20 or 30 miles. For 40 years he has labored among ranchmen, miners, Indians, Mexicans. The story brings back the apostolic times, and yet, after all, it is only one instance, although on a very extended scale, of what is going on, here and there, from Alaska to Cape Horn, on our vast continent—a great, valiant work done by many unheralded and true crusaders of our time for the Cross of Christ.

GENERAL.

The Missionary Spirit.

The spirit which animates the Catholic missionary is shown by an incident related in the current 'Messenger of the Sacred Heart.' Father Remy Isore, one of the Jesuit missionaries who have lately given their lives for the faith in China, begged at the close of his theological studies to be sent to the Zambesi mission. His Provincial, Father Grandier, of the province of Champagne, asked him why he chose that particular place. The answer was: 'Because it seems to offer more chances of martyrdom.' 'If this is your only reason,' replied the Provincial, 'perhaps China will be a better choice, persecution may break out there at any time.' 'If you will allow me then,' answered Father Isore, 'I will ask for China.' 'Very well; you shall go,' was the decision. The ever-impending persecution soon came, and with it the crown.

Dominicans in Assyria.

At Mossoul, ancient Babylon, the Dominican Fathers maintain a printing press through which they have already brought out a number of classical works, books on Assyriology, a Kurd Grammar and at present an Arabic-French dictionary.

Spanish-American Printing.

In regard to the early Spanish-American printing, exhaustive research has about proved that the earliest American printed document was a bull of Pope Paul III., issued in June, 1537, relating to religious instruction of the Indians in Mexico.

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Cheap Pictures.

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