

FEAST OF THE PATRON SAINT

Anniversary of Philomena Celebrated With Impressive Dignity at Cathedral.

STORY OF THE VIRGIN'S MARTYRDOM

Rev. Patrick A. McGovern Chants Solemn High Mass and Rev. Michael J. Stritch, S. J., Preaches Sermon.

With all the pomp and splendor of the Roman Catholic ritual the feast of St. Philomena, the patron saint of the diocese of Omaha, was celebrated at St. Philomena's cathedral yesterday morning.

The gospel of the day, the fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost and feast of St. Philomena, was from Matthew vi, 24-34. Inclusive. Father Stritch took for his text the thirty-third verse: "But seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you."

It was not until 1902 that some archaeologists came upon a gravestone bearing certain inscriptions and emblems in which they read the story of her torture, and in the life of her virgin purity, of her loyalty to her vow and of her martyrdom at the tender age of 13 years.

The story of her life and of her martyrdom is so well illustrated as in that of the dearest of saints, Philomena, the story of whose tender devotion and love of God is well known to you. For fifteen centuries after her cruel death by order of the Roman emperor, Diocletian, St. Philomena, virgin and martyr, was unknown to the world; her story was asleep in the heart of the church and her body rested in the catacombs.

It was at this same time that a young artist, who knew nothing of the inscriptions found upon the tomb of Philomena, had a vision, or a dream, in which he saw the life of the Illy-like virgin with whom Diocletian became enamored, but whose love, when he found that Philomena had yielded her virginity to God, turned to hate and rage, and who after he had caused her death, could endure life no longer.

The same story was at the same time told by a holy priest, both confirming the inscriptions and emblems on the tomb of Philomena. The ceremonies closed with solemn benediction of the blessed sacrament.

NEW CHOIR IN BLACK GOWNS

Thirty Singers Attract Congregation Which Listens to Rev. Yost.

The new gowned chorus of St. Mary's Avenue Congregational church drew the eyes and filled the ears of the worshippers at Sunday morning's service. The choir, which numbers thirty, presented a pleasing appearance in its black gowns and sang in a way which showed effects of the training received at the hands of Mr. Kelly.

The old chorus choir was disbanded for the summer relaxation and its place taken by the quartet, which has furnished most satisfactory summer music. During this time Mr. Kelly was engaged to direct the new chorus, which should begin its work in the fall.

The old Testament is filled with its promises; the Psalms and the Prophets abound in the declarations of immortality; innumerable passages show the persons who were assured of a life to come.

It is in the light as to God's promise. "Abraham was ignorant of the exact fulfillment of the promise. The patriarchs knew nothing of the means, but they held fast to the promise. A faith that is justified. Though things seem incredible there is no cause to shake our faith.

How could our fathers have faith in the prophecies that were performed? Could anyone believe that a virgin shall conceive and that the child shall be called the Son of God? Did God require the church to understand? Only believe!

not. There is a resurrection of the body and life everlasting. How can these things be? "He hides himself until the restoration of all things. Meanwhile like Abraham, father of the faithful, we live by faith. My shall come from east and west, from north and south and shall sit down—where? With Abraham, with Isaac, with Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven."

CAUSES OF INDIA'S PLIGHT.
Congested Population and Extravagance in Living, Says Rev. Wilson.
The pulpit of the Knox Presbyterian church, Nineteenth and Ohio streets, was filled yesterday by Rev. E. M. Wilson, a returned missionary from India, who spoke on the condition of the people and the country in general.

He spoke of the deplorable condition of the people, stating that the impression was prevalent throughout the East that the British government was responsible for the manner in which the people were living.

"This," he said, "was a false idea the people had gained in some manner. The real cause is the immense population of 2,684,000, extravagance of the people, spending often as high as two years' wages for a wedding and borrowing money at an enormous rate of interest."

The rate of 4 cents a day. "The recent famine in India was caused by the failure of the rains and the careless living of the people, who have practically no regard for the amount of debt contracted. The progress of the mission work in the far east has been wonderful in the last ten years, there being at present over 70,000 Protestants among the natives.

The First Congregational church resumed regular evening services on last Sunday evening. Rev. Mr. Herring, the pastor, having returned from his summer vacation. The choir was present in full force and all present enjoyed a talk on Northfield and its summer successes in the field of Christian work.

What St. Louis is and Has.
St. Louis is fast becoming one of the largest commercial and manufacturing centers of the world, and has therefore much of interest to visitors abroad from the coming World's fair.

It has a number of mercantile houses and manufacturing ranking first in their respective lines, the name and fame of which have spread throughout civilization.

Omaha and the St. Louis Fair.
From the Department of Publicity of the Louisiana Purchase exposition has just been received one of the latest and most comprehensive folders ever sent out to advertise a show of the kind.

Victims Finally Vanquished.
John Haley, a cook who lives in Missouri Valley, Ill., came to Omaha a few days ago in search of work.

Back in Old Quarters.
Elmer Young, 807 South Thirteenth street, who was arrested charged with being a suspicious character and released Saturday morning, was again taken into custody last night.

Low Summer Tourist Rates.
Via Chicago Great Western railway. Round trips to St. Paul, Minneapolis, Superior, Ashland, Duluth and other Minnesota resorts.

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MANY CHANGES IN CLERGY

Numerous Old Omaha Ministers Leave and New Ones Succeed Them.

BIG WAVE OF MIGRATION LAST YEAR

In but Sent Minority of Cases Are Transfers Due to Church Relations and Death Takes Only Few.

Omaha has seen many changes in its pulpits during the last two years. Two of three prominent resignations came to the mind of all, and others are remembered chiefly by those of the congregation, but a glance at the church list in the city directory of 1902 will bring out more convincingly any personal recollections, the migratory nature shown by the clergy.

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One More Last Call.
Trinity cathedral was likewise robbed by death of the services of its venerable rector, Dean Campbell Ford. While this loss did not actually occur until last winter, the dean had in reality been unable to fill the pulpit since the spring of 1902 and was a supply during this period Rev. R. E. L. Craig took charge of the cathedral.

New Pastor for Plymouth.
Plymouth Congregational church, Twelfth and Spencer streets, has just called a pastor in the person of Rev. Clifford Snowden of Beverly Hills church, Chicago, after being without an acting leader since the spring months.

Planning for Colonel Blake.
Joseph J. Breen of South Omaha, and James Hyland of Omaha were elected chairman and secretary respectively of a meeting of Irishmen of the two cities at the Fairmount yesterday afternoon.

Losses Sum of Money.
Joe Randolph, a bridge contractor from Portland, Ore., who took up his residence in Omaha a few days ago, complains to the police that he is in poorer than he really ought to be.

Rock Island System.
\$1.48 Lincoln and return Sept. 7 to 11; return limit, Sept. 12.

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