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CARDINAL GIBBONS IS 74.

Aged Prelate is Most Beloved Man in Catholic America.

Baltimore, July 23.—Cardinal Gibbons, the "grand old man" of the Roman Catholic church in America, is 74 years of age today. Friends, colleagues and admirers of the primate of the American hierarchy all over the world sent messages of congratulation.

The cardinal was born in Louisiana July 23, 1834. In his infancy he was taken to Ireland, where he received his early education. Returning to America, he graduated from St. Charles' college, and on June 30, 1861, was ordained a priest. He made rapid

advancement and in 1868 was consecrated bishop and vicar apostolic of North Carolina. In 1877 he succeeded to the see of Baltimore. In 1886 he received the crowning honor of his life, and tribute was paid to the American church, by his elevation to the college of cardinals.

With all his learning and attainments, Cardinal Gibbons is one of the most modest of men, and is dearly beloved by the priests under his charge and thoroughly admired and esteemed by citizens of every creed. The personal habits of the cardinal are of the simplest character. His daily life is one of incessant activity, and viewing his age and slight frame, the wonder is how he can accomplish so much.

He is an early riser, getting up about 5:30 in the summer and not later than 6 in the winter. He usually says the 7 o'clock mass, celebrating almost every day, even when he is at the seaside in warm weather. After his mass he spends a short time in thanksgiving and then goes to breakfast. Afterward he reads his newspapers, and he never neglects the baseball column, and then he attends to his correspondence. When this is finished he gives an hour or two to his literary work. Notwithstanding his frequent interruptions, the cardinal manages to accomplish a great deal.

Visitors begin dropping in soon after 9 o'clock. The ecclesiastical business of the archdeacon is something enormous. There are priests to see about their affairs, some belonging to the city, others to the country. Secular callers come also in great numbers, and on some mornings every parlor in the residence contains three or four. The cardinal is swift and business-like in his dispatch of affairs—always cordial and smiling, but showing to the duller that he has not much time to spare. He passes from one parlor to another, dressed in his dark soutane, and upon his head the little scarlet skull cap—the iron-gray hair, the pale, intellectual face and the penetrating glance beneath. His eminence seldom forgets any one whom he has met, although he does not always remember names. As soon as he appears in the doorway the visitor rises and goes to him, and if a Catholic, kisses the large ame-

thyst ring, slightly bending the knee. This obeisance is not, as some Protestants imagine, an act of idolatry, but merely signifies assent to the cardinal's spiritual authority and obedience to Rome. It is the etiquette, and like everything else in the Catholic church, has come down through the ages.

The visitor's business is now related. The cardinal is quick of apprehension, listens courteously, occasionally asking questions, and in a few minutes the matter, whatever it may be, is settled, and his eminence passes on to the next caller. In this way a dozen or more persons will be seen in a very short time, and many things disposed of and difficulties cleared up.

On a fine morning the cardinal will sometimes take a walk down the street to the Catholic book stores, where he looks over the latest new books and magazines, and then to the Mirror office, where he gets such newspapers as he desires to examine. He returns home in time for dinner, which is served not long after noon, and a little later he will lie down for a while, especially if he has had a fatiguing morning. At 3 o'clock visitors begin to come again, and he is kept busy, in one way or another, until toward evening, when he goes out for his constitutional. This evening walk is a Roman custom followed by nearly all ecclesiastics. The cardinal is generally accompanied by some one—sometimes by a student of the seminary, again by a visiting prelate or a priest—and as he goes through the crowded street, with his black hat, under which his red skull cap barely shows, and the long frock coat, thousands recognize the beloved man. It may be truly said that everybody knows the cardinal. He is as great a favorite with the majority of Protestants as with the members of his own faith. A number of Protestant clergymen are among his personal friends, and it is seldom that any public man of note visits Baltimore without calling at the archepiscopal residence to pay his respects to the head of the Catholic church in this country.

Cardinal Gibbons is one of the most democratic of men—plain, unostentatious and distinguished for good sense in everything he does. Although wise and shrewd, he is free from the smallest shadow of dissimulation. He hates double-dealing in all its forms. He is extremely charitable, and his income does not meet the demands upon it. By no manner of means is he a rich man, and the public would be surprised to know how much he is obliged to spend in charity. Many are the things he "pays for out of his own pocket," as the expression is, because he cannot refuse, and of which few know but himself.

A LEARNED MAN.

What is He,—When May He Lay Claim to the Title.

Last evening after the serious work of the day was completed, a number of fairly well read citizens of this town happened to become interested in the question, "When is a man learned?" A lot of different opinions were expressed, but no decision was reached.

One of the gentlemen present, a man of unquestioned veracity, told the following story, after refusing absolutely to define the word learned as applied to a man of attainments. He said:

"Several years ago Dr. Suesserot, president of the Mercersburg Theological seminary, the theological school of the German Reformed church, was noted as the best Greek scholar in the United States. He was noted also, among his neighbors, as a man entirely without that saving quality known as 'horse sense.' One day, while a neighbor was walking about the place and talking to the doctor, it became time to feed a couple of pigs which were being fattened by the college man in anticipation of killing time, soon to arrive. When they got to the pen where the pigs were kept, the neighbor noticed that the animals were grown so large that the pen was too small and the pigs were uncomfortably crowded. He remarked about this and was asked by the doctor as to what he could do. 'Why,' said the neighbor, 'trade them for smaller pigs. I've got a couple that I'll let you have for them.' The trade was made, and the noted scholar saw his pigs carried away and smaller ones left in their places, with perfect equanimity."

When is a man learned?

Presbyterian Society Meets.

The ladies Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Presbyterian church, will meet Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Mrs. C. M. Humphrey.

WELL PLEASED.

Jay Brooks Rides Over the Valley—Surprised at Crop Prospects.

Jay Brooks, who was formerly one of the leading merchants of this city and county, and who now owns extensive interests in the county, has driven over the valley on a tour of inspection. He was more than pleased with crop conditions. He stated that prior to coming he had formed the opinion that crops in Grande Ronde valley were going to be extremely short. Why, said Mr. Brooks, if the Sacramento valley in California, had such good crops as I saw growing everywhere in this valley yesterday, they would consider themselves fortunate.

Mr. Brooks expects to return to his home at Santa Rosa tomorrow evening.

W. R. C. Attention.

Every member of the W. R. C. is urgently requested to be present at the regular meeting on Saturday, at 2:30 as business of importance is to be transacted.

By request of the president.

SCHOOL BOARD

Met Last Night in Regular Monthly Session.

The school board held its regular monthly meeting in the office of Clara Arthur Williams last night, and after a short session adjourned until next month. The resignation of Miss Blake of North Platte, Neb., was accepted. This leaves the position to which Miss Blake had been assigned, the fourth grade, vacant, but other applications are being received almost daily. Miss Harriet Harris was elected, and assigned to the second grade. The board found that the work of completing the North Side building was progressing satisfactorily, and ordered that a payment of \$500 be made to Contractor J. L. Slater.

Looking for Location.

J. B. Warden of Alberta, Canada, arrived in La Grande last night, and is looking for a location. He has been in California, and considers it a good country, but too hot in the summer. Mr. Warden is a friend of the Metcalf family.

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