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Rev. Michael Mary Meara **“The Greatest Gift of God—The Priest”** (Concluded, from Vol. XXXV, No. 1)

“When death called the Rt. Rev. Bishop John A. Watterson, April 17th, 1899, the Consultors of Columbus Diocese offered as their choice of successor the names of Father Meara and Father Kearney, the learned and eloquent Dominican.” The metropolitan bishops met in May. (These included Archbishop Elder of Cincinnati and Bishops Horstmann of Cleveland, Maes of Covington, Foley of Detroit, Richter of Grand Rapids, McCloskey of Louisville, Byrne of Nashville.) It was rumoured that Father Meara was recommended by them as the most worthy, “usually equivalent to an election.”¹³ But Rome’s selection was the Rt. Rev. Henry Moeller.

“Father Meara knew the peace and contentment of Circleville. His vision, force of character and gentle priestly ministrations had endeared him to the whole city. But when Bishop Moeller asked him to come to the Cathedral and help relieve the Diocese of the incubus of debt, which had hung over the Cathedral parish and the financial status of the Diocese as an encircling fog, he readily obeyed.” Indeed, Father Meara was asked, not ordered, to the Cathedral, for Circleville St. Joseph was an irremovable rectorate. His agreement exemplified “the spirit of the clergy of the diocese in their readiness to cooperate with their Bishop and to assist him in every way to lighten his burdens and responsibilities.” Bishop Moeller had himself been rector of the Cathedral and in appointing Father

Meara, the bishop separated the rectorship from the episcopal office.¹⁴ Bishop Hartley would reverse this decision in the distant future.

Father Meara returned to the Cathedral on November 18, 1900.¹⁵ “When Bishop Moeller brought him back, we all were glad. I think too he was glad himself; for he is now among his boyhood friends. He found the church, though, and the diocese all swamped in debt, a hundred thousand dollars ‘to the bad.’”¹⁶

“The plan which he had conceived in the first fervor of his young priesthood was accepted by Bishop Moeller. The debt was divided, one-half was assessed upon the various parishes of the Diocese—rightly so for the Cathedral is the common Church of the Diocese—and the Cathedral parish assumed the other half of the burden. Enthusiasm did not prevail at the first meeting which Father Meara called ‘for the purpose of presenting ways and means to pay the debt.’ Frequently they had started with enthusiastic confidence upon this mission only to be ‘bogged-down and swamped.’ The calm confident tone of Father Meara, his clear presentation of the problem, his fine business ability, impressed the men of the parish—even though a few prominent parishioners of unquestioned financial leadership registered doubt—and the work started.

“There is no need to dwell upon the successful accomplishment. With earnest, Catholic cooperation by the generous giving of the poor and the

rich the debt was paid easily. Then the roof needed attention and a substantial copper covering that will last a century, was placed at a cost of \$10,000. New stained glass windows were purchased. Handsome marble altars were installed. The old pillars were replaced by new, and the walls were blasted and the disintegration of the soft lime-stone stopped, and the interior brightened. New pews, new confessionals, new sanctuary furniture followed, and in twenty years, including the debt of the parish, he has raised for improvements over \$300,000, without any blare of trumpets, with no scolding and no complaint, and because the vision of the schoolman embraced the future, he removed the reproach that the Cathedral congregation was not complying with the provisions of the Baltimore Council and had no parochial school, purchased the old Kelly residence for \$40,000, repaired and improved it at an additional \$10,000, installed the Sisters of Notre Dame and enthroned the Blessed Master whose appeal 'Suffer little children to come unto me' is heard by the little ones of the flock. The school property with the growth and development of the city, the trend of business and the tide of construction out East Broad Street has easily enhanced ten times in value. Within the past year he has placed the finest Church organ in the West in the Cathedral at a cost of \$35,000. His annual statements to the parishioners have been comprehensive and complete and the people have lived in the sunlight and all the memories of clouded days have passed.

"Across his priestly years Father Meara has known the love and admiration of his fellow laborers in the Gospel. They testified upon the death of Bishop Watterson and again in 1903, when Bishop Moeller was made Coadjutor to the Archbishop of Cincinnati, by placing his name as *Dignissimus* on their *Terna* for the vacant Diocese of Columbus that he measures up to St. Paul's specifications, 'Blameless as the steward of God,' 'not self-willed, not soon angry, not given to wine, no striker, not given to filthy lucre, but a lover of hospitality, a lover of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate,' (Titus 1:7-8), 'approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed.' (2 Timothy 2-15)"

According to a *New York Times* report of December 6, 1903 the Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith had not yet considered who should replace Bishop Moeller in Columbus, "because of the controversial reports received and the attacks made upon the candidates named." The candidates being considered most seriously were Father Meara and Father Hartley of Steubenville. Father Hartley was the Pope's personal choice (and no doubt Father Meara was relieved to hear the news!). Father Meara continued at his post at the Cathedral.

"The spiritual life of the Cathedral congregation has known as much improvement and development as its temporalities, and God alone knows the story of every early morn when Jesus stands upon the shore, the devoted hours in the solitude and quiet of the confessional, the visitation of the sick, the comforting of the sorrowful, the burial of the dead. His priesthood is increased and multiplied in the younger priests, who, in Columbus and Circleville, saw his ways,

'When all the paths were fresh with dew
And all the bugle breezes blew
Reveille to the breaking morn,'

and heard the appeal of the Blessed Master, which struck fire in admiration of Father Meara, and the spark was guarded by him with the zeal of a Vestal Virgin, until it flamed in the blessed realization of their own priesthood. In hospital wards, and school and convent class-rooms there are devoted religious women, who learned from his lips and example the spiritual beauty and the entrancing peace of the Lord's service and entered upon religious life.

"And from far away places this May morning their voices harmonize with ours, his children in the eternal priesthood of Jesus Christ, his devoted priestly friends, his grateful children of the schools whose infancy and innocence his untiring labors have guarded and protected, the devoted Sisters of Charity of Nazareth and Cincinnati, the Sisters of Notre Dame, the Daughters of St. Francis and Holy Cross, in the poet's prayer of praise,

'The good, the gentle deeds of mercy thou hast done

Shall not die forgotten—that the poor
The fatherless, the motherless, the friendless
Who daily own the bounty of thy hand
Shall cry to heaven and pull a blessing on thee.”

Monsignor James Kirwin wrote the account, on which most of the above is based, in honor of Father Meara’s golden jubilee as a priest. Father Meara, however, being “a modest gentleman and most uneasy when anything in the nature of a fuss, however admiring, is made over him,” intended the anniversary to be an ordinary day. He was not pleased that notice was to be taken of his anniversary. “But you see,” he said “softly and earnestly,” “when you’ve had 50 years given you to serve, and you’ve done as little as I have, it isn’t much to brag about, is it?”¹⁷

But the celebration went on, an impressive ceremony at the Cathedral on May 31, 1924, presided over by Bishop Hartley, flanked by Father T. J. O’Reilly and Monsignor Kirwin and attended by a full contingent of clergy, organizations, and parishioners. Speakers included Dr. Andre Crotti (accompanied by S. D. Hutchins and M. S. Connors); a Knight of Columbus contingent comprising Lee O’Donald, Jerry O’Shaughnessy, and Frank Vogle; and Father Thomas Powers.

After Father Powers had finished, Father Meara “wiped away tears and hesitatingly advanced to the edge of the chancel, where he paused a moment” and then began a short thank-you. “I thank you all from the bottom of my heart for this demonstration. I thank Almighty God for His wonderful goodness to me.” He mentioned that when he had been ordained he was not regarded as strong and few gave him hope of a long life. But his fellow-ordinand had died thirty years ago and his own brother had died 46 years ago and he had been able to go on with his work. He declared he had found joy in his congregation in that it had always extended to him glorious co-operation and never had given him any cause for distress. “In conclusion, he stressed that he had learned that the shouters in the world did little else than shout, and enjoined his congregation to so live that their lives always would count.”¹⁸ In 1906 Bishop Hartley had obtained for Father Meara

from Pope St. Pius X the rank of Domestic prelate, with the title of Monsignor.¹⁹ Now he received a hand-painted picture of Pope Pius XI, with his blessing, signature, and seal. The ceremony concluded with benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Father Meara went to his eternal reward suddenly on the morning of Saturday, January 24, 1925, eight months after his jubilee celebration.²⁰ Funeral services were held at the Cathedral on Thursday. “All the priests in the Diocese,” according to the *Catholic Columbian*, were present to recite the Office of the Dead and assist at the solemn requiem Mass, sung by Monsignor James Kirwin. Bishop Hartley give the final absolution and with difficulty announced that Father Meara had left a sealed request with his sister that no funeral sermon or remarks be given and that God have mercy on his soul.

Bishop Hartley noted, “He was a kind friend and prudent advisor to all who came to him with their troubles. Always an exemplary priest, no Cathedral parish in the United States had a more devoted pastor, none where the spiritual and temporal affairs were better cared for or looked after.”²¹

Even today Father Meara is remembered, by those who were children in his last years, as an angel, too sweet to belong to this world.

NOTES

13) Louisville’s *The Kentucky Irish American*, May 20, 1899

14) *Catholic Columbian*, October 6, 1900

15) 1908 Circleville parish history; see the *Bulletin*, Vol. XXXI, No. 3 (March, 2006)

16) Cf. note 1

17) *Ohio State Journal*, Feb. 28, 1924

18) *ibid.*, May 31, 1924

19) *Catholic Columbian*, Jan. 13, 1906

20) The official “List of Priests” in the archives erroneously has his death as Jan. 26. The contemporary newspapers, the death certificate, the *Ordo*, and his tombstone all agree on Jan. 24.

21) *Catholic Columbian*, January 30, 1925

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Universal Church

October 20. It was announced that Pope Benedict XVI will issue an apostolic constitution (probably in February), creating a personal ordinariate to facilitate Anglicans entering full communion with the Church as congregations or communities. This is a pastoral response to numerous requests from groups of Anglican clerics and believers from around the world who are dismayed at the direction the Anglican Church is taking. According to Father Christopher G. Phillips, this action will allow “a garden area for the beauty of the Anglican form of liturgy and prayer to prosper, to nourish, to be protected.”

Agencies and Institutions

Oct. 28 A new wing of the assisted living area at the Villas of St. Therese, containing eight rooms, was blessed.
Nov. 2 Bishop Campbell dedicated the South Addition of Bishop Watterson High School, which includes a new assembly hall, gym, offices, and classrooms.
Dec. 13 Bishop Campbell blessed the new St. Vincent de Paul Homeless Shelter Center in Granville.

Parishes

Feb. 18 Bishop Campbell announced that Sacred Heart School, New Philadelphia, and St. Joseph School, Dover, would merge, because of declining enrollment and renovations that would have been needed at Sacred Heart. Beginning in the fall, students from pre-school through grade 6 now attend the Dover facility and 7-8 attend Tuscarawas Central Catholic High School, which became a junior/senior high.
August Three sisters of the Missionary Servants

of the Word arrived in St. Stephen the Martyr Parish to evangelize and otherwise serve the Latino population in that area. They expect to stay at least three years, in a convent on the north side of Clime Road.

Sept. 19 St. Martin de Porres Outreach Center at St. Joseph Parish in Plain City was blessed.
Nov. 8 A new organ was dedicated at St. Michael Church, Columbus.

Personnel and Vocations

June 6 Three transitional deacons were ordained by Bishop Campbell at St. Joseph Cathedral: Daniel J. Dury, James Hatfield, and Mark Summers.
July 14 Retired: Msgr. James Geiger, pastor of St. Joseph Parish, Sugar Grove
Msgr. Frank Lane, pastor of St. Margaret of Cortona Parish
Msgr. James Ruef, pastor of Holy Name Parish, Columbus, but continuing as Judicial Vicar
Nov. 21 At St. Bernadette Church in Lancaster, Bishop Campbell ordained to the priesthood Deacon John M. Reader, former Episcopal priest.

Necrology

Jan. 12 Rev. Robert J. Scheuer, in Upper Arlington, age 86, native of Columbus, retired priest of the diocese
Jan. 26 Rev. Joseph J. Jurasko, O.P., in Columbus, age 98, native of Mingo Junction
Jan. 21 Sister Estelle Laufersweiler, O.S.F., age 85, in Stella Niagara, a native of Columbus
Jan. 30 Sister Patricia Jane O'Neill, S.C., at Ridgefield, Ct., age 59, a native of Mt. Vernon
Jan. 30 Rev. William Maroon, age 71, priest of the diocese
March 3 Sister Jovita Martinez, age 81, in

Manitowoc, Wisc., native of Mingo Junction
 April 7 Sister Thomasita Tyson, O.P., in
 Columbus, age 93, a native of Zanesville
 April 29 Deacon John Rericha, age 73, of St. Elizabeth Parish, Columbus
 May 22 Rev. Raymond Orlett of the Glenmary Home Missioners, age 83, in Cincinnati, a native of Pond Creek
 May 27 Sister Anna (Frances Anne) Thieken, O.P., age 77, a native of Wheelersburg
 June 28 Sister Patricia (Sr. M. Andre) Britt, O.S.F., in Joliet, Ill., age 78, a native of St. Mary Parish, Columbus
 June 30 Rev. Msgr. Michael Andrew Nugent, in Columbus, retired priest of the diocese, age 93, a native of Cambridge
 August 25 in Columbus, Sister Mary Urban Cullen, O.P., a native of Marietta, age 102
 August 31 Msgr. Lawrence J. Corcoran, in

Columbus, age 92, retired priest of the diocese
 Sept. 2 Sr. Mary Catherine Kaepfner, O.P., in Columbus, aged 69, a native of Columbus
 Sept. 10 in Stella Niagara, Sr. Maureen Mackin, O.S.F., age 95, a native of Columbus
 Sept. 14 Rev. Msgr. John T. Dittoe, age 91, a native of Somerset, retired priest of the diocese and former Dominican priest
 Nov. 21 in Doylestown, Pa., Rev. John M. Gamber, age 93, a priest of the diocese since 1968 with service here from 1949 until retirement in 1985
 Nov. 28 Sr. Marjorie Baird, O.P., age 86, in Columbus, a native of Steubenville
 Dec. 5 in Ossining, New York, Maryknoll Father J. Daniel Schneider, age 91, a native of Columbus and graduate of Holy Name Elementary School

Baptisms in the Church of St. Peter the Apostle near Bolivar 1844-1867

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1853, continued

July 13 Mary, born June 13, daughter of Louis Romer? and Margaret Heinen; spon. Peter Heinen and Mary May. HM
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 Aug. 10 Henry, born June 5, son of John Metzger and Catherine Scherr; spon. Henry Breitenstein and Mary Weckmann. HM
 Aug. 10 Catherine, born July 29, daughter of George Weigand and Mary Bilz; spon. Frederick Schilling and Catherine Tragesa. HM
 Aug. 10 George, born Aug. 9, son of Conrad Antoni and Catherine Kunzmann; spon. George Streb and Ann Mary Seikel. HM
 Sept. 7 Francis, born Jan. 8, 1850, son of Henry Strube and Elizabeth Diringer; spon. Joseph and Elizabeth Gimbel. HM
 Sept. 7 Mary Ann born Jan. 1, daughter of John Ditrick and Ann Miller; spon. Jacob[?] Trem

and Mary Ann. HM
 Sept. 7 John, born Aug. 26, son of Conrad Franz and Sibilla Hut; spon. John Kemmer and Ann Mary Dornheker. HM
 Sept. 7 Henry Joseph, born Sept. 5, son of John Lindner and Mary Bernhard; spon. Henry Weckmann and Catherine Franz. HM
 Nov. 3 William Adolph, born July 4, 1848, son of Celestine Schwarzwald and Christine Schilling; spon. Frederick Kress and Catherine Tragesser. HM
 Dec. 31[? or 21] Nicholas John, born 14th of the same month, son of Andrew Luntz and Catherine Franz; spon. Nicholas Franz and Justina Erb. HM
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Jan. 6 Theodore, born Jan. 2, son of Magnus Wigand and Rosina Lauer; spon. Theodore

Link and Catherine Link. H Muckerheide
 Feb. 8 Wendelin, born Jan. 22, son of Caspar
 Hein and Regina Erb; spons. Wendelin
 Hambach and Margaret Dur. HM
 Apr. 8 Adam, born Mar. 25, son of Christian
 Koch and Catherine Geist; spons. Adam Koch
 and Regina Weckmann. HM
 Apr. 25 Joseph Henry, born Mar. 28, son of John
 Baptist Rastadter and Catherine Kranz; spons.
 Joseph Kranz and Barbara Gessner. HM
 May 23 Catherine, born May 11, daughter of
 Wendelin Hambach and Margaret Doerr;
 spons. Conrad Antony and Catherine
 Kunzmann. HM
 July 4 Regina, born June 4, daughter of Michael
 Oestrich and Christina Essert; spons. Caspar
 Heim and Regina Erb. HM
 Sept. 15 Simon Peter, born July 27, son of Henry
 Müller and Margaret Gammel; spons. Conrad
 Antony and Catherine Kunzmann. HM
 Dec. 15 Juliana, born Dec. 4, daughter of Joseph
 Krantz and Barbara Gessner; spons. Julia
 Krantz. H Muckerheide

1853

Jan. 20 Ann Mary, born [Dec. ?] 23, daughter of
 John Koch and Susan Frank; spons. John
 Zimmerman and Ann Mary Frank. H. J.
 Muckerheide
 Mar. 9 James, born [Feb. ?] 11, son of Francis
 Margo and Mary Freime; spons. James Treime
 and Mary Nicolaus. HM
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 Mar. 20 John Henry, born Mar. 7, son of Conrad
 Zeiger and Magdalene Waigand; spons. John
 Waigand and Catherine Franz. H. J.
 Muckerheide
 Apr. 8 Mary Ann, born Mar. 20, daughter of
 Andrew Waigend and Hera[?] Franz; spons.
 Lorenz Zeiger and Mary Ann Franz. HJM
 May 16 William Balthasar, born May 3, son of
 Adam Huth and Mariann Weigand; spons.
 Balthasar Nietenthal and Josepha Weigand.
 HJM
 June 12 Wendelin, born June 3, son of Conrad
 Antoni and Catherine Kunsmann; spons.

Wendelin Hambach and Margaret Dürr. HJM
 Aug. 21 John, born Aug. 20, son of Henry
 Weckmann and Catherine Franz; spons. John
 Lendner and Ann Mary his wife. HJM
 Aug. 21 Margaret Helen, born July 17, daughter
 of Martin Hein and Margaret Ress[?]; spons.
 George Haas and Ann Weckmann. HJM
 Oct. 16 George Balthasar, born Oct. 2, son of
 George Weigand and Mary Pilz; spons.
 Josepha Weigand and Balthasar Neidenthal.
 HJM
 Oct. 16 Christina, born Sept. 28, daughter of
 Christian Weigand and Catherine Riess; spons.
 Christina Weigand and Magnus Weigand. HJM
 Oct. 16 Mary Margaret, born Oct. 11, daughter
 of John Zimmermann and Elizabeth Frank;
 spons. Mary Frank and Laurence Zeiger. HJM
 Nov. 6 Joseph, born Oct. 27, son of John
 Lindner and Mary Bernhard; spons. John
 Kranz and Barbara Gessner. HJM
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 Nov. 6 James, born Oct. 24, son of Conrad
 Franz and Sibilla Huth; spons. James
 Dornhecker and Susan Kress. H. J.
 Muckerheide
 Nov. 6 Frances, born Oct. 17, daughter of
 Conrad Schilling and Magdalene Bilz; spons.
 Adam Weber and Frances Schilling. HJM

1854

Feb. 19 Mary Felicia, born Feb. 18, daughter of
 John Bap. Lapp and Amalla Sanvarrin; spons.
 Peter Stephan Lapp and Mary Elizabeth Drem.
 D. M. Winands

1855

Apr. 11 Joseph Weigand, son of Andrew
 Weigand and Eve Franz. From register of
 marriages, Mary Immaculate, Canton, Ohio,
 Apr. 27, 1910.

1856

Feb. 24 Francis Anthony, son of Andrew Lung
 [Lunz] and Catherine Franz; spons. Francis
 Margo and Mary Gabriel. F. J. Goetz
 Mar. 30 Theresa, daughter of Michael Oestrich
 and Christina Essert, spouses, in the parish of
 St. Peter, born Jan. 10; spons. Benedict Essert

and Theresa Lauer. F. J. Goetz
 May 1 Mary Eve, born Oct. 29, 1854, daughter
 of Peter Steitz and Mary Donlé. Spons. John
 Heil and Eva Durflein. F. J. Goetz
 May 1 Mary Emily, born Apr. 11, 1856, daughter
 of John Peter Lab and Mary Catherine Sant
 Voiraint; spons. John Bapt. Lab and Mary
 Elizabeth Saint Voirain. F. J. Goetz
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 Aug. 24 Louis, son of Joseph Kranz and Barbara
 Kessner, born Aug. 15; spons. Wendelin
 Hambach and Margaret Dürr.
 same day Peter Joseph, son of Alexi Labb and
 Mary Henri, born July 17; spons. Peter
 Stephen Labb and Josephine Henri.
 also Gertrude, daughter of Conrad Schilling and
 Elizabeth Hut, born Aug. 11; spons. John Hut
 and Gertrude Hut. F. J. Goetz
 Sept. 28 John Henry, born Sept. 11, son of Adam
 Hut and Mary Ann Weichand; spons. John Hut
 and Mary Ann Tragesser. F. J. Goetz
 Oct. 26 John, born Sept. 29, son of Adam Geisel
 and Kunigunda Heil, spons John Heil and Eve
 Hut. F. J. Goetz
 Nov. 27 Andrew, born Nov. 10, son of Andrew
 Weigand and Eve Franz; spons. Frederick and
 Christina Nolte. D. M. Winands
 Nov. 30, John Henry, born Nov. 18, son of Peter
 Steitz and Mary Danlé; spons. Adam Geisel
 and Kunigunda Geisel. F. J. Goetz
 Dec. 26 Rosina, born Dec. 24, daughter of
 Nicholas Franz and Justina Erb; spons. Magnus
 Wichand and Rosina Lauer.
 Dec. 28 Mary Ann, born 29 Nov., 1856, daugh-
 ter of Chr.[?] Wichand and Mary Catherine
 Ries; spons. Conr. Dornhecker and Mary Ann
 Dornhecker.
 same day Conditionally, Ann Mary, born Dec. 13,
 daughter of John Lindner and Mary Ann
 Bernhard; spons. John Streb and Ann Mary
 Schilling. F. J. Goetz

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1857

Feb. 8 George Balthazar, born Jan. 30, son of
 George Neumann and Eve Weckmann; spons.

Balthazar Niedenthal and Josepha Niedenthal.
 F. J. Goetz
 Mar. 21 Mary Ann, born Mar. 2, daughter of
 George Weigand and Mary Ann Biltz; spons.
 John Hut and Mary Ann Tragesser. F. J. Goetz
 Mar. 22 Frances Gertrude, born Mar. 3, daughter
 of John Adam Aul and Eliza Jane Kapitzky;
 spons. George Haas and Gertude Weckmann.
 F. J. Goetz
 May 24 Ann Mary Caroline, born May 1,
 daughter of Casp. Heim and Regina Erb; spons.
 Henry Weckmann and Caroline Erb. F. J.
 Goetz
 same day Florence, born May 6, daughter of
 Conrad Peter and M. Ann Schafrath; spons.
 Louis Heim and Florence Erb. F. J. Goetz
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 Aug. 9 Henry son of George Haas and Barbara
 Weckmann, born Aug. 3; spons. Henry
 Weckmann and Caroline Erb. F. J. Goetz
 Sept. 20 Flora, daughter of John Müller and
 Mary Dietrich, born the 17th; spons. Conrad
 Anthony and Flora Erb. F. J. Goetz
 Sept. 24 by Rev. Mr. Luers, priest of Cincinnati,
 Susan Catherine, daughter of Michael Lunz and
 Elizabeth Franz, born the 21st; spons. Andrew
 Lunz and Susan Franz. F. J. Goetz
 Oct. 11 Elizabeth, born Sept. 29, daughter of
 Conrad Schilling and Elizabeth Huth; spons.
 Conrad Streb and Elizabeth Schilling.
 same day Michael, born Sept. 29, son of John
 Henry Müller and Lina Oestrich; spons. Joseph
 Oestrich and Christina Oestrich.
 same day Adolph, born Aug. 4, son of John
 Baptist Tremme and Mary Peter; spons.
 George Neumann and Catherine Peter. F. J.
 Goetz
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1858

Feb. 25 Henry William, born Jan. 29, son of
 Andrew Lunz and Catherine Franz, spouses;
 spons. Michael Lunz and Susan Franz. F. J.
 Goetz
 Mar. 23 [could be 1859] Caroline Matilda
 Neumann, born Mar. 14, daughter of John

George Neumann and Eve Weckmann; spons.
Henry Weckmann and Carolina Erb. D. M.
Winands

1859

Dec. 26 Helen, born Sept. 27, daughter of
Michael O'brien and Helen McGuanes; spons.
Denis Collins and Catherine Bartley.
same day Martin James, born 26 June, son of
Martin Cummins and Mary Crogan; sons.
Anthony Kilone? and Mary Mullen.
same day William Emmanuel, born Dec. 22, son
of William Murray and Alice Dowling; spons.
John Kennedy and Ann Kennedy.
same day John Henry, born Nov. 11, son of
Lawrence Zeiger and Pauline Oestrich; spons.
John Henry Müller and Lina Oestrich.
same day George Wendel, born Nov. 22, son of
Wendel Hambach and Margaret Dürr; spons.
George Neumann and Eve Neumann his wife.
F. J. Goetz

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Dec. 28 Magdalene, born Nov. 4, daughter of
Joseph Kranz and Barbara Gessner; spons.
Adam Zeigel and Kunigunda Zeigel his wife.
Dec. 28 William, born Nov. 22, son of Franz
Rieger and Florence Erb; spons. Caspar Heim
and Regina Heim his wife. F. J. Goetz

1860

Feb. 3 Rev. S. B. Uhlman of Canton baptized
George Michael, son of Roch Eckenweiler and
Elizabeth Bechtel; spons. John Peter Zopf and
Mary Elizabeth Albrecht. F. J. Goetz
Apr. 20 John, born Mar. 23, son of Caspar Heim
and Regina Erb. Spons. Francis Rieger and
Florence Erb. F. J. Goetz
Oct. 21 Melanie Elizabeth, born Oct. 5, daughter
of Henry Weckmann and Caroline Erb; spons.
John Erb and Elizabeth Weckmann. F. J.
Goetz

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Oct. 21 Henry, born Sept. 2, son of Andrew
Weigand and Eve Franz; spons. Jacob Hornung
and Mary Hornung his wife, alias Mary Franz.
same day Joseph, born Sept. 15, son of Jacob
Hornung and Mary Franz; spons. Joseph Franz

and Elizabeth Franz. F. J. Goetz
[undated - could have been in 1861] A. M.
Josephine Huth, born Nov. 4, 1860, daughter
of Adam Huth and Ann —nt; spons. Barth.
[Aul?] and Josepha——. — Hergenroether

1861

[undated] Catherine Margaret, born Feb. 26,
1861, daughter of Franz Margu and Mary
Gabriell; spons. Andrew Lunz and Cath. Lunz.
P. Hergenroether
Apr. 1 Joseph Aul, born Mar. 23, son of Adam
Aul and Elisa Cubizky; spons. John and Sophia
Antoni. Reo. Hergenroether
[undated] James Haas, born Apr. 21, son of
George Haas and Gertrude Weckmann; sons.
Jacob Seichel and Julia Seichel. same priest
[undated] James Schilling, born Apr. 3, 1861, son
of Conr. Schilling and Elizabeth Huts; spons.
James and Mary Berljung. Hergenroether
crossed out: [undated] child of [blank] Franz and
Susan Haas (protestant), born May 6, 1861;
spons. A. Koch of Strassburg and Mary Franz.
[undated] Carl Berljung, born Apr. 29, 1861, son
of James Berljung and Mary Weber; spons.
Carl Weber and Cath. Kranz.

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*The following records were written in a table
and appear to preserve the original forms of the
given names. They are transcribed here as given,
in contrast with the Latin records that have been
transcribed above using English forms.*

June 29 Genofeva, born June 25, daughter of
Joseph Vallager from Baden and Maria Anna
Lütz from Baden; spons. Peter Ziegler and
Genofeva Ziegler. H. Fehlings
June 29 Veronica Matilda, born Mar. 13, daugh-
ter of Peter Stein from Bavaria and Maria
Danle from Virginia; spons. Caspar Heim and
Regina Heim. H. Fehlings

(To be concluded)

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