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INTRODUCTION

The John Patrick Farrelly Papers, 1826-1927, are centered around John Patrick Farrelly, 1856-1921, who was Spiritual Director of the North American College in Rome, Italy, and later was appointed Bishop of Cleveland, Ohio.

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SCOPE AND CONTENT

John Patrick Farrelly was a Roman Catholic priest (ordained 1880) who served as assistant priest at Nashville (Tenn.) Cathedral and chancellor, Nashville Diocese, 1882-1887, as Spiritual Director of the American University of Rome, 1893-1909, and, as Bishop of Cleveland, Ohio, 1909-1921.

Included in this collection of papers are accounts, correspondence, estate papers, land records, memorabilia, and speeches of Rev. John Patrick Farrelly and his mother, Martha Clay Farrelly. Land records trace the ownership of lot #39 in the original plan of Nashville, Tennessee. Also included in a folder of memorabilia is a stereograph of the Bosphorus (Turkey) and four photographs of a cemetery, probably in Rome, Italy, in which the grave of Martha Clay Farrelly is located.

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

John Patrick Farrelly

- 1856 March 15, born at Memphis, Tennessee, the son of John P. Farrelly, Nashville merchant and Martha Clay Farrelly.
- Educated in public school of Nashville, Tennessee.
- Moved to Little Rock, Arkansas and lived there until 12 years of age.
- ca. 1868 Moved to Kentucky where he was a student at Gethsemae and later St.Mary's College.
- Attended Georgetown University at Washington, D.C.
- 1873 August. Entered Notre Dame de la Paix in Belgium and from there went to American College in Rome, Italy for further study and training.
- 1880 Ordained a priest of the Roman Catholic Church.
- ca. 1880-1882 Traveled in Egypt and Holy Land.
- 1882-1887 Served as assistant priest at the Cathedral in Nashville, Tennessee and Chancellor of the Nashville Diocese.
- 1887-1909 Returned to Rome; from 1893 was Spiritual Director of the American College at Rome.
- 1909 May 1. Appointed Bishop of Cleveland, Ohio. Held this position until his death.
- 1921 February 12. Died in Knoxville, Tennessee of pneumonia. Buried in the vault under the High Alter of the Cathedral at Cleveland, Ohio.

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