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- Oct. 26—St. Evaristus. 27—Vigil of St. Simon and Jude. 28—St. Simon and Jude. 29—Of the Sunday. 30—Of the Perils. 31—St. Jerome. Nov. 1—All Saints, Holy Day of Obligation.

Parliament and the War.

The British House of Commons, despite the crushing Conservative majority, has again proven itself the noblest legislative assembly in the world.

Sir Edward Clarke, Conservative member for Plymouth, said the more he had read the correspondence the more convinced he had become of the blunders in the negotiations, and that this lamentable war was unnecessary.

Sir Edward Clarke: Then I think this amendment proved to the hilt. [Radical cheers.]

A brief discussion between Mr. Chamberlain and Sir Edward Clarke ensued respecting the interpretation that should be placed upon Mr. Chamberlain's reply.

Sir Edward rejoined that Mr. Chamberlain's remarks made the matter more and more sad. If this sort of thing had been going on the war was a crime against civilization.

Mr. John Morley, Liberal member for the Merioneth district, on rising to speak, was greeted with loud cheers by the Opposition.

not for the franchise but for suzerainty. Under the name of paramount authority we are going to impose upon the Transvaal obligations which the Government would not for the life of them dare impose upon any self-governing colony.

Mr. Chamberlain interposed: "If we could imagine such a case as a self-governing colony imposing upon a majority of its inhabitants such conditions as the Boers imposed upon British subjects we should interfere or out the connection."

Mr. Morley contended that in New Zealand there was a remarkable case of alienation of territory in favor of an individual, but though that corresponded to the position of affairs in the Transvaal, Mr. Chamberlain refused to interfere.

Mr. Chamberlain said the cases were in no way comparable.

Mr. Morley, continuing, rebalanced Mr. Chamberlain to control the educational system in Canada as he had tried to do in the Transvaal.

Desecration of Churches in the Philippines.

We take following from Collier's Weekly: The photographic front page which was recently published at a telegraph station in a cathedral in the Philippines, over the caption "Respectfully referred to the Secretary of War," has elicited a great deal of comment on the part of our daily and weekly contemporaries.

In the official announcement of Hon. A. S. Hardy's appointment to two offices in Osgoode Hall, it is said that "the office of Surrogate Clerk was formerly held by the late Hon. T. W. Anglin, and that of Clerk of Process by the late Alexander Macdonell."

Canadian Constitutional Integrity and the War.

The despatches of the past week from South Africa telling of slaughter of the Boers in a series of engagements near the British camps at Ladysmith, Dundee and Glencoe can occasion no surprise whatever.

The newspapers in England and Canada that affect to derive unbounded joy from the events of the war do not reflect public opinion.

Mr. Henri Bourassa has since challenged his party and parliament as a whole upon the truth of this proposition. His letter, which appears elsewhere, needs no comment.

In the British House of Commons Sir Edward Clarke, the most eminent lawyer numbered in any of Lord Salisbury's governments, in denouncing his party and its war policy, said: "There is a deeper and truer loyalty to party than blindly going with it in a division."

The Presbyterians of Toronto assembled in Knox College this week to hear Mr. Samuel Smith, M. P., the parliamentary apostle of Keswick, conjure up visions of "Romish plots" for the absorption of the English establishment through the agency of Ritualism.

eam: opinion; and Mr. Stead solemnly states that the evidence is in his possession of a criminal conspiracy behind the war party, in which Mr. Chamberlain is more deeply implicated than was Warren Hastings in the scandal which ruined the Carnatic.

Ontario Cabinet Changes.

In our news columns will be found the list of names and offices of the members of the reconstructed Ontario Cabinet. The only new men are Messrs. Stratton and Latchford.

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what Canadian Protestants have to do with the matter one way or another. But the competency of his audience is a secondary consideration with M. Samuel Smith.

In view of the fact that it was an Irish Catholic regiment led in the first successful assault upon the Boers' position near Dundee, it is of interest to name the following Catholic chaplains who are serving with the British forces at the front in South Africa:

The felonds and relations of the Sisters of Nazareth at home and abroad will be pleased to hear that they have received from the Holy See the third and final confirmation of their work and constitutions through the instrumentality of His Eminence Cardinal Vaughan.

Following up an article in last week's REGISTER headed "Fair Play for the Jews," it is interesting to chronicle a meeting, attended by three thousand Jews, held at Vienna to protest against the anti-Semitic revival of the accusation of ritual murder against the creed in connection with the recent trial of a Jew named Hilsner at Kuttenberg, in Bohemia.

The Catholic Truth Society of Ireland has been established. Referring to the formation of a general committee and the choice of an executive, The Freeman's Journal says: "Though the Catholic propagandists in Ireland are not so urgent a necessity as in Great Britain, the needs of Catholic defence have been recognised in Ulster and elsewhere in face of a sustained attack."

The Rome correspondent of The London Tablet, repeats the statement that a national Irish pilgrimage is being organized to go to Rome for the ceremonies of Holy Week and Easter.

Cameron Loyal Orange Lodge, No. 618, has passed a resolution pointing out that the empire being now in great peril, Orangemen will see "that none but those truly loyal to the empire shall attain or retain positions of public trust."

Canadian loyalty of the life and drum variety has one never-failing characteristic. Its highest ideal is expressed in the ear-splitting strains of "Kick the Pope." Here in Toronto we have grown so well acquainted with the religious sentiment of this atrocious melody that we have long ago made up our minds to regard it as an ineradicable nuisance.

"Kick the Pope," on King street, the day after Thanksgiving. A old dame with a Post-town accent stopped out to the curb and with unfeigned surprise asked, "What lodge is it?" A man stepping into the street told the musicalians, "They would not do that in Montreal"; but one of the musicalians only put his thumb to his nose and spread out his fingers. The unseasonable loyalists were none other than the floras and drummers of the Prince of Wales Festivals, of Montreal, disgracing publicly and to the best of their ability the Queen's uniform.

Canadians have for months been compassionate their hysterical neighbors to the south, on account of extravagant celebrations in honor of Dowe. But now we are ourselves engaged in making heroes of Loys who have simply volunteered to help an army of 80,000 or 90,000 massacre one-fourth that number of badly armed farmers.

But leaving the ideas and ambitions of the elected person and the popularity hunter out of sight, is jingoism good business for Canada? This question is surely entitled to some consideration. The increase of taxes in the United Kingdom will be a powerful promoter of emigration for the next ten years.

The war bill will send more than the soldiers out of Great Britain and Ireland. The humblest class bearing the income tax cannot stand the strain and will look across the seas to some more inviting scene of home-making. It is likely that they will turn their faces to Canada, because they know it to be the worst jingo-ridden portion of the empire.