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LETTER

FROM HIT GRACE THE ARCHBISHOP OF TORONTO.

St. Michael's Palace, Toronto, 29th Dec., 1886.

I have singular pleasure indeed in saying God-speed to your intended journal, THE CATHOLIC WEEKLY REVIEW. The Church, contradicted on all sides as her Divine Founder was, hails with peculiar pleasure the assistance of her lay children in dispelling ignorance and prejudice. They can do this nobly by public journalism, and as the press now appears to be an universal instructor for either good or evil, and since it is frequently used for evil in disseminating false doctrines and attributing them to the Catholic Church, your journal will do a very great service to Truth and Religion by its publication. Wishing you all success and many blessings on your

enterprise,

I am, faithfully yours,

+ John Joseph Lynch, Archbishop of Toronto.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

The Pope has sent \$2,000 for the relief of the sufferers by the recent earthquake.

The death of Cardinal Jacobini may necessitate a further postponement of the approaching consistory beyond March.

The correspondent of the Associated Press at Rome cables that he is authorized to state that the American Bishops take a favourable view of the organization known as the Knights of Labour, that it is not a secret society in the sense condemned by the Church, and is consequently exempt from canonical censure.

The rumour that the Cabinet had decided to prosecute Archbishop Croke for advocating the non payment of taxes, which is said to have caused a temporary sensation, is disbelieved in official circles. On being asked by Mr. William Johnston, the Orange leader, in the English House of Commons on Monday, what the Government intended to do re garding the Archbishop, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach declined to say more than that the question was engaging the attention of the Government.

A number of Conservative members of Parliament, who are impatient over the delay in adopting coercive measures for Ireland, met on Tuesday to take concerted action with the object of inducing Conservatives to combine in exerting pressure upon the Government. The times, indeed, look Adark in Ireland. The forced retirement of Sir Thomas Esmonde, M. P., and Mr. Sheehy, M. P., from their offices as Sheriffs, and the action of the executive in authorize

ing the employment of the military and police for the proclamation of the Plan of Campaign, and practically to aid in the eviction of the people, are certain to prove fertile and further causes of trouble. Mr. Gill, M.P., wires that there are not wanting evidences of the intention of the Government to co operate with reactionary landlords in the wholesale eviction of the Irish peasantry.

Cardinal Ludovico Jacobini, late Pontifical Secretary of State, died on Saturday, the 26th ult., at one o'clock. distinguished ecclesiastic was born at Albano, Italy, on May 6, 1832. He filled several important offices under the Papal Government while comparatively a young man. In 1862 Pius IX. made him a domestic prelate and one of the refendaries of the signatura. When, in 1874, the Nuncio at Vienna, Falcenelli Antoniacei, was created cardinal and withdrew from his post, Mgr. Jacobini was chosen by Pius IX. to succeed to the vacancy. On September 19, 1879, he was created cardinal, but it was judged desirable that he should continue at the Austrian capital in order to carry on the negotiations com-menced some time previously with Germany and Russia, and also to regulate the new ecclesiastical arrangements for Bosnia and Herzegovina. In October, 1800, he was appointed by Pope Leo XIII. to succeed Cardinal Nina as Papal Secretary of State, and for over six years he conducted the complicated and delicate affairs of that high office with rare tact. His last important official act was the letter addressed to the Papal Nuncio at Munich, in which the Pope's position and wishes in reference to the Army Bill were formulated. The Cardinal died a few minutes after midday, and will be buried to day in Santa Maria Church. Messages of condolence were sent by Emperor William and Prince Bismarck to the Pope, who made frequent and anxious enquiries as to the dying Cardinal's con