

CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK.

DECEMBER.

- 17—Third Sunday in Advent.
- 18, Monday—Our Lady's Expectation.
- 19, Tuesday—Ferial office.
- 20, Wednesday—Ember Day's fast.
- 21, Thursday—St. Thomas, Apostle.
- 22, Friday—Ember Day's fast.
- 23, Saturday—Ember Day's fast.

BRIEFLETS.

His Grace the Archbishop arrived this morning from the east.

Steam plows are to be used in South Africa for making military trenches.

Mrs. McLorg has arrived for the winter and is boarding at Madame Jean's. Her grandson is at St. Boniface College.

The collection taken up at Rev. Father Drummond's charity sermon in St. Mary's Church last Friday amounted to \$45.

The Blessed Rita da Cascia and the Blessed Jean Baptiste de la Salle are to be canonized on May 6, 1900, the Jubilee year.

In Italy the manufacture of supposed antiquarian treasures, imitated with exquisite skill, is becoming an industry of great importance.

Mr. Antonin Dubuc returned last week from Montreal, where he had been following a course of philosophy under the Sulphurian fathers.

A syndicate has been formed to build a single rail high speed electric railway on the Behr monorail system, between Liverpool and Manchester.

The Midland Review, of Louisville, Ky., has absorbed the Catholic Advocate, also of that city. More power to your elbow, Charley O Malley.

The funeral of the late George McFavish, who died in Vancouver last week, will take place tomorrow afternoon from St. Mary's Church to St. Boniface cemetery.

The Very Rev. A. Dugas, V. G., is back at the palace, where the plumbers are now at work and the residents are roughing it amid the dust and noise of the workmen.

A high-and-dry Anglican, meeting a recent Winnipeg convert to Catholicism, accosted him with, "So, B., I understand you've left the Mother Church." The answer came like a flash, "No; I've just joined it."

That was a triumph of Free Press reporting when it discovered Mr. Noel Bernier at a Bertrand political meeting which he never attended and when it further attempted to discredit a brilliant university graduate, who has forgotten more than the Free Press reporter will ever know, by calling him "Master Noel Bernier."

In "Garnet Wolsey," a character sketch by Archibald Forbes, we read: "Wolsey read Buller's capacity already in the Red River expedition, when the latter was but a lieutenant, and when as yet his comrades had no suspicion of his merits." On Thursday, St. Andrew's day, Rev. Father Chierri said Mass, preached in the chapel of the Grey Nuns' Mother House, and conferred the holy habit on several sisters. His sermon was an impressive eulogy of the religious life. Rev. Fathers Gravel and Messier were present at the ceremony.

CATHOLIC MISSIONS.

MR. LANGEVIN PAYS A TRIBUTE TO THE PIONEERS OF THE NORTHWEST—EN-ROUTE FOR HOME.

Ottawa, Dec. 11.—Mgr. Langevin, Archbishop of St. Boniface, Manitoba, preached in French at high mass in the church of the Sacred Heart yesterday. He took as his subject, missionary work in the Northwest and particularly in the Red River district. Mgr. Langevin paid a tribute to the Oblate fathers, first to commence missionary work in Manitoba. Many of them had passed away after lives of self-sacrifice, poverty and hardship; the good example they left was a benison to their successors and to the half-civilized people among whom they labored so effectively. He mentioned Mgr. Provencher (the first bishop), Mgr. Lafbeche and Father Lacombe, as leaders of the missionary movement. The archbishop alluded particularly to the work among the Indians. He said that it was an erroneous impression that the red men were heartless and ungrateful to those who strove to improve their condition. Although uncivilized, the influence of religion was uplifting them and pointing them to better lives. They had souls to save, and it needed work of devoted missionaries and the assistance of Catholic people to carry on such good work.

Rev. Father Moulin, an aged priest, accompanied the archbishop. He was one of the pioneer missionaries in the west, and was wounded by Indians while endeavoring to pacify them in the rebellion of 1885. Mgr. Langevin left for home by the Winnipeg train yesterday afternoon.—Free Press.

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