

most of the revolutionists had fled or had been killed by the various European monarchs, the masses of the people once more settled down, and the church was again required to assist in the process of enslaving and stultifying the masses.

French bayonets re-installed the Pope. During his reign he promulgated in 1854 the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, and during the Ecumenical Council of 1869 the dogma of the Infallibility of the Pope, which was dissented from by the so-called Old Catholics, principally in Germany under the leadership of Dr. Doellinger.

In 1870 the French evacuated Rome, needing all their forces in the conflict with Germany; and Victor Emanuel entered Rome, making it the capital of united Italy. The Pope protested and retired into what he called his prison, the Vatican, where he died in 1878. His successor is the present Pope, Leo XIII.

Leo is a kindly old gentleman, living in seclusion at the Vatican. He possesses no temporal dominion; nevertheless he wields an enormous spiritual power over the faithful of many countries, far too great to be ignored by us in this province particularly. During Leo XIII. Bishop's Jubilee, celebrated lately, three cardinals were appointed to receive and dispose of the money and other gifts pouring in from all quarters of the globe. The cash receipts amounted to over \$1,500,000.00, of which America contributed the sixth part. Poor Ireland still further impoverished herself to the extent of \$176,000; whilst England headed the list with \$575,000, of which amount the Duke of Norfolk alone paid \$200,000. The balance was made up of church collections during the Jubilee services, and alms from poor and rich Emperors, Kings, Princes and pilgrims.

Under Leo XIII., the Church has had the worldly wisdom to submit to the exigencies of politics and parties, and by giving recognition to the French Republic has shown itself ungrateful to kings and princes, the staunch supporters of Church and Papacy during many centuries.

The fact that the so-called Eternal and Immutable Church adapts itself to circumstances, may be looked upon as a sign that its days of absolute rule are numbered. The mist of the dark ages has been penetrated to a large extent by the light of reason, and we may look forward within a reasonable time to