

CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK.

JUNE

- 18,—Fourth Sunday after Pentecost.
- 19, Monday—St. Juliana Falconieri, Virgin.
- 20, Tuesday—Votive office of the Apostles.
- 21, Wednesday—St. Aloysius Gonzaga, S.J., Conf.
- 22, Thursday—Votive office of the Blessed Sacrament.
- 23, Friday—Vigil.
- 24, Saturday—Feast of St. John the Baptist.

BRIEFLETS.

Rev. Father Bourret, of Ste. Agathe, came to town yesterday.

On Wednesday last the University undergraduates and this year's graduates of St. Boniface College had a pleasant outing at St. Norbert.

Messrs Bérubé & Co., publishers of the NORTHWEST REVIEW and "Le Manitoba," are printing a fine illustrated calendar of St. Boniface College for 1898-99.

On the occasion of the children's First Communion at St. Anne's last Thursday Rev. Father Lebel, S. J., preached four times, twice in French and twice in English.

Sisters Naughton and St. Marcien left for Rat Portage last week on business connected with their Order. Sister Laverly takes Sister Naughton's duties at the hospital.

It is announced this morning that Mr. Shaughnessy is appointed President of the Canadian Pacific Railway. These Irish Catholics are such a shiftless lot, don't you know, almost as bad as French Canadians like Laurier.

Rev. Father Zerbach, who came in from Regina yesterday, had to return home by the local to-day because he was informed by telegram of the partial destruction, by lightning, of his church at Balgonie, last Sunday night.

Monsieur de Fauconval, hitherto consul general of Belgium in Canada, and well known in the Belgian settlements of this province which he visited some years ago, is now on his way to Chili, to which country he has been appointed Minister of the King of the Belgians.

A terrace of ten houses at the corner of Austin and Euclid streets is to be erected for the Rev. A. A. Cherrier, of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, and Mr. J. Béliveau. The contract has been awarded to Mr. C. Caron, who will proceed at once with the construction.

His Grace the Archbishop of St. Boniface will return from Deloraine next Monday so as to be here in time for the Closing Exercises the following day at St. Boniface College. On the 21st Mgr Langevin will resume the course of his visitation, beginning this time with St. Norbert.

His Honor the Lieutenant Governor of Manitoba, who bestows one gold medal and two silver medals on the successful students of St. Boniface College, has kindly consented to be present at the Closing Exercises of that College next Tuesday evening, which begin at 8 p. m. and comprise, besides the award of medals and prizes, a scene from Shakespeare, a short French play and music by the college choir.

ST. JEAN BAPTISTE CELEBRATION

At St. Jean, on the 27th inst., promises to be a notable one. Among the guests and speakers

of the day will be Hon. Mr. Evanturel, Speaker of the Ontario Legislature, and Hon. Thos. Chapais, the editor of Le Courier du Canada, of Quebec, and a number of prominent Quebec clergymen who are coming west in order to see the country, with a view of directing French Canadian immigration this way. Other prominent eastern gentlemen are also expected to be present. A committee is now actively at work arranging details. An excursion will be run from the city.—Evening Bulletin.

THE POLICY OF THE IRISH NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Mr. T. P. O'Connor has a silvery tongue, but we must confess that we read with great disappointment the reports of his speeches at the Bradford Convention of the Irish National League of Great Britain. For the Irish there could not be a more critical moment than the present. Mr. Gladstone brought that cause to the verge of success, and the Liberal party pledged themselves to press it forward. There are a good many honorable Liberals who are "faithful 'mongst the faithless found," but, taking them as a whole, their intent now is to know how they can most easily renounce their promises and turn their back on Mr. Gladstone's Home Rule policy. At present an election contest is in progress at Southport, and Colonel Pilkington, the Liberal candidate, is ready to talk of imperial federation or any subject but Home Rule. He is against the concession of an Irish Catholic University, against justice to the schools in which Irish Catholic children are taught, against the repeal of anti-Catholic enactments, which disfigure the Statute Book and may at any time be used for the persecution of Catholics. And yet Mr. T. P. O'Connor and the National League have nothing to say as to these momentous questions, nothing except to express the hope that Liberals will give Home Rule if they get into power. If the sky falls we shall catch larks. Let not Irishmen be deceived. The Liberals may stick to Home Rule if the Irish in this country show that they prefer a Conservative to a false Liberal. But if they act as Mr.



There are weeds in everybody's garden, and no garden was ever planted in which weeds did not insensibly present themselves. They come without invitation and without a welcome. If you recognize them as weeds, and if you have sense enough to know that weeds choke flowers, and pull the weeds up, root and branch, you will save the flowers. There are weeds in the health-garden of many a man and woman. The doctors call them disease germs. If you have sense enough to distinguish them from the flowers of health, and root them out, you will be robust, healthy and happy. The most dangerous of all the weeds in the flower garden of health is that deadly creeper consumption. There has never been but one medicine that would choke out this weed, root and all. That medicine is Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It acts directly on the lungs through the blood, driving out all impurities and disease germs, and building up new and healthy tissue. It restores the lost appetite, makes digestion and assimilation perfect, invigorates the liver, purifies the blood and fills it with the life-giving elements of the food and tones and builds up the nerves. It sustains the action of the heart and deepens the breathing, supplying the blood with life-giving oxygen. Medicine dealers sell it.

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O'Connor and the League did at Bradford the Liberals will regard them as bounden slaves who may be kicked with impunity.—Catholic Times (England).

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH WILL PRESERVE THE BIBLE.

In the present chaotic condition of Protestantism we Catholics have good reason to be thankful that we have an infallible authority that we can always look to for the truth. Our separated brethren, in all their sects, are battling among themselves over various questions of belief, while the old Church goes serenely on its way fulfilling the mission entrusted to it by its divine Founder. The controversy in the Protestant Episcopal Church over the ordination of Dr. Briggs has led one minister of that church, the Rev. Dr. De Costa, to make these timely remarks:—

"The Bible may be rejected, yet it will be preserved. If it fail of support in the Episcopal Church it will ever have the guardianship of the Church Catholic. It is not the real, humble, reverential scholarship that is doing the harm to-day; it is rather a conceited individualism, inspired by a false ambition, often seeking through studious experiments or reckless and foolhardy proclamations to test the measure of forbearance and tolerance in the Church, with the idea of using position in the Church for the propagation of doubtful opinions, or of determining how far a man may go aside from the recognized standards of Christianity and yet keep his place in the Church and claim the name of Christian. It is rather noteworthy that both sides claim to have with them all the honesty, all the learning and all the common sense. If it were true that either side has all the learning and common sense, it would still remain a fact of history that learning and common sense have very often been found upon the wrong side. This new criticism boldly dispenses with the supernatural, and proposes to bring back the 'age of reason.' We are plainly told that what we call the Bible is not the Bible, and that the office of criticism is to search for the 'rock-bed of divine truth, and for the massive foundations of the Divine Word in order to recover the real Bible.'"

In Protestantism there must always be such confusion as this. The Protestant system of private interpretation leaves every one free to believe just what he likes. He is at liberty, also, it must follow, to reject everything that does not suit his fancy. For this reason Protestantism has so many sects. Of course such a state of affairs must sorely grieve our really religious Protestant friends. But if they do not become Catholics they can never hope to be in a Church that is not influenced by every whim of the day. Truth is the same to-day as when Christ founded His Church, and that truth is only to be found in Catholicity.—N. Y. Catholic News.

ITS USE.

"What's the use of a peace conference?" inquired the skeptic. "A great deal of use!" answered the diplomat indignantly. "It's a barometer. If we can get through a peace conference without a fight it will be a pretty good sign that we can get through several years without a general war."

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