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# ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR.

JULY -- 1869.

Friday, 16-Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Saturday, 17-St Alexius, C. Sunday 18-Ninth after Pentecost. Monday, 19 - St. Vincent of Paul. Tuesday, 20-St. Jerome Æmilian, C. Wednesday, 21-St. Praxedes, V. M. Thursday, 22 - St. Mary Magdalen.

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

LONDON, 9tb .- In the House of Lords, tonight, the Irish Church Bill came up for the report from the Committee.

On motion of Lord Cares the date "first of May, 1871," was substituted for the "1st January, 1872," throughout the bill.

Lord Redesdale moved an amendment that the representatives of the Irish Church and the Catholic Synod, in cases of vacant bishoprics, nominate three persons for the Crown to select from, and that the Crown be empowered to summon one archbishop and two bishops from each Church to sit in Parliament.

The Earl of Claucarty protested, on the part of the Catholics, against the amendment, which, he declared, was utterly inadmissable, and it was enemies.

The Marquis of Clanricarde moved that clause 28; giving power to convey additional land to the Church, be restored to its original form. He said the clause as now amended revived Protestant ascendency in its most bateful form, giving glebe lands to the Church body but refusing nearly thrice worse than Ireland. Something worse them to Catholics and Presbyterians. It was certain that the Government and the House of Commons would never sanction the amended clause.

The Marquis of Salisbury replied that in movmg the amendment he contemplated similar grants to the Catholics and Presbyterians, according to Mr. Bright's original proposition which Mr. Gladstone had endorsed, but he thought the selections of their own glebes by the population is almost equally divided between the Irish Church was not unfair.

After further discussion, the Earl of Denbigh announced that the Catholics had decided not to accept the glebe lands or residences.

The Marquis of Clanicarde's motion to restore clause 28 was lost by a vote of 40 to 91.

The amendment embracing the proposal of Earl Granville to give balf a million in money, instead of handing over private endowments created over 1660, was agreed to.

The report was then received.

The Earl of Clancarty gave notice that when the bill came up for a third reading he should move the postponement of the reading for three

London, July 10.—In the House of Commons last evening, Mr. Gladstone in discussing Central Asia matters, said that it was the Eng lish policy to rule subject countries by the adoption of measures beneficial to them. He was assured that Lord Mayo's interview with Shere Ali, did not involve any agreements on our part. Russia has expressed the opinion that Afghanistan should remain as a neutral zone, between the Russian and British influence.

Paris, July 9 .- The evening journals announce the resignation of the ministers. It is believed M. Rouher has been commissioned to members of the Thiers party. A manifesto from the Emperor is looked for.

THE CUBAN REVOLUTION.—WASHINGTON, July 10.-Advices from Nuevitas and Puerto Principe to the 27th ult., and from Puerto del Padre and Las Tuscas to the 26th, say there has been no movement of a decided character in either districts. The Spanish troops have been reinforced at Nuevitas and are thus enabled to retain possession of the railway from that city to Puerto Principe, and give succor to the garrison of the latter city, which is threatened by Cubans vader Tusada in the district of Puerto del Padre. There have been several skirmishes. The health of the Cuban army is reported good and the soldiers well organized.

We wish them all success: and if it be true, as our friends assert it is, that of the children received by the Grey Nuns many are the offspring of Protestant parents, the heavily taxed funds of the Catholic institution will be much lightened by the carrying out of the proposal made at a lia." late public meeting of Protestants.

We will take the opportunity, however, of correcting an erroneous statement made by the Rev. Mr. Irvine, one of the speakers, who said that at the Grey Nun's Foundling Hospital it was demanded, as a condition of the child's admission, "that the infant should be given up finally, and without reserve." The reverend gentleman has been misinformed. The children, or infants recerved by the Grey Nuns Hospital, are for the most part left at the door, the person bringing them merely ringing the bell, and walking off as quickly as possible, so as to give no clue to the child's parentage or the condition of its parents. There is a person always in attendance to answer the bell, and to receive the child: but no conditions are, or indeed can be imposed, since in the great majority of cases there is no party visible with whom to treat, except the unconscious infant lying at the door.

The following article on Illegitimacy in Catholic and Protestant countries respectively is from the Scotsman, a leading Scotch journal and a staunch Protestant, commenting upon the recently published Official Report of the Registrar General. We commend it to the notice of the Watness, who however, will not, we fancy, care to reproduce it for the benefit of its readers, before whom it is in the babit of laying the fabricated statements of Protestant travellers as to immorality in Catholic, or nominally Catholic countries in Continental Europe. The facts and figures of the subjoined, however, are given to us officially by a Protestant government, and whilst their accuracy therefore cannot be impugned, the value of the lesson which they teach cannot be exaggerated. Our Catholic readers should cut the paragraph out and lay it carefully by, as a conclusive rejoinder to the calumnies of their

The Scotsman thus comments on the Registrar General's Report :-

"We come next to a very painful and important point, and shall get away from it as soon as possible. The proportion of illegitimate births to the total number of births is, in Ireland, 3.8 per cent. In England, the proportion is 64; in Scotland, 99. In other words England is nearly twice, and Scotland has to be added, from which no consolation can be derived. The proportion of illegitimacy is very unequally distributed over Ireland and the mequalities are such as are rather humbling to us as Protestants, and still more as Presbyterians and as Scotchmen. Taking Ireland according to Registration Divisions, the proportion of illegitimate births varies from 6 2 to 1.9 The Division showing this lowest figure is the Western, being substantially the Province of Connaught, where about nineteen-twentieths of the population are Celtic and Roman Catholic. The Division showing the highest proportion of illegitimacy is the North Eastern, which comprises or almost consists of the Province of Ulster, where Protestant and Roman Catholic, and where the great mejority of the Protestants are of Scotch blood and tion, are respectfully requested to attend. of the Presbyterian Church matter is, that semi-Presbyterian and semi Scotch Ulster is fully three times more immoral than wholly Popish and wholly Irish Connaught-which corresponds with wonderful accuracy to the more general fact that Scotland, as a whole, is three times more immoral than Ireland as a whole."

TALL TALKING .- The London Times gives a report of a great Protestant Meeting in Lan cashire at which some very tall speaking was indulged, especially by so-called Ministers of the Gospel of Peace. We give a few extracts. from which the general tone of the meeting may be gathered, and which are strongly suggestive of the value of Protestant loyalty :-

ing £280,000 as a permanent endowment to the Roman Catholics, after having said in Lancashire that he would never appropriate the funds of the Irish Church to any religious body. At the same time he gave almost eight millions of money to what he termed lunatic asylums, the managers and inmates of which were probably all Roman Catholics. The speaker likened the Honse of Commons to a welltrained flock of sheep following the recreant steps of a great sacrilegious bell-wether. [Loud applause, and a voice, 'That's a calker']

The Rev. Dr. Foley, Prebendary of Cashel, was the next speaker. He described the policy and conduct of the Government as a combination of cursed Quaker. ism and concealed Romanism against the property and the religion of the nation. He slee accused it form a new Cabinet, which will include four of destroying the English language, by perverting the names of the Thorn party. A manifesta from ing men claves to Rome, and endowing Catholics out of the robbery of Protestants.

A subsequent speaker, the Rev. C. H. Wainwright, of Blackpool, was more argumentative in his tone than most of his colleagues on the platform. He and prizes to the pupils of the latter Academy. asked, why should it be, if the Protestants were to be disendowed in Ireland because they were a minority that the Catholics in England should not be disendowed also as a minority here, if all were to be treated with 'equality?' [Great applause ] The rev. gentleman's peroration was an impassioned ploture of the House of Lords regarded by posterity as the safeguard of the State, while the name of Gladstone was handed down as the name of a traitor, ' unwept

unbonored, and uniung.' The next speaker was the Rev. Dr. Massingbom, who concurred in a previous reference to Mr. Giad. stone's physiognomy :- 'If we look at his face. we cannot wonder at the description. If we could only clothe him in a Roman Catholic garb, he would make a very good Papist, and then he would appear before us in his true-colours. He is doing the work of a Jesuit, why does not he avow it?' Referring to Mr. Gladstone's appropriation of the surplus ' for the We see by a report in the Montreal Wit. benefit of criminals, idiots, and lunatios, the rev doctor remarked, 'It was prophesied that Mr. Gladness that our Protestant fellow-citizens propose stone would end his days in a lunatic asylum, and establishing a sort of foundling asylum for the be wants to make a very handsome provision for his brethren.' The speech concluded amid great cheerreception of the children of Protestant mothers. ing upon the arrival of the rear-guard of the proces. Sisters must have bestowed on them, to have them.

sion, which was composed entirely of the Orange so-

cieties or lodges. Mr. Haward Harper, Grand Master of the Orange Institution, Mr. Booth Mason, and other Orange dig-nitaries, now made their appearance in front of the platform, sporting a variety of showy decorations, a sword held erect, a framed trage of William III.

Mr. Booth Mason was called upon to second the

adoption of the petition to the Lords. He said the lime was gone by for petitioning the most despicable House of Commons ever elected. He advised all Protestants to join the Orange organization, as the only power able to cope wish Popery. A gigantic conspiracy was concorted against the liberty of the people. Gladstone was turning Papiet; John Bright was no better; and, more than that, the people would have to fight for their civil and religious liberties physically.' In the House of Commons the opinions of the English people were swamped by the representatives of the Scotch-Sir Pertinex Macry. cophant and his brethren; and of the Irish, who had not souls of their own, for the man who gave his soul to the priest was little better than a brute beast. Mr. W. H. Wood, secretary of the Manchester and Salford Trades' Council, made a long speech, in the course of which he said that Mr. Gladstone had been likened to all that was vile and loathsome in history. (Uries of "Iscariot.") Judes Iscariot was a good man to him, he repented himself of the sin he committed, but this man had no signs of repentance in

What Protestants of the Anglican sect themselves deem of their own Orders may be gathered from the following resolutions adopted at a recent Conference of the Episcopalians in Chicago. The subject under discussion was the revision of the Prayer Book, and it was, after a long debate, moved and unanimously

him, he gloried in his shame.

" Resolved, that in the opinion of the Conference, a careful revision of the Book of Common Prayer is needful, and that all words or phrases seeming to teach that the Christian ministry is a priesthood, or the Lord's Supper a sacrifice, or that regeneration is inseparable from baptism, should be removed from the prayer book."

This is intended as a blow at Puseyism.

Our readers will please bear in mind that the Annual Pic-Nic in aid of the St. Patrick's Orphan Asylum will be held in Guilbault's Garden, on Wednesday next, the 21st instant.

The Committee are making such preparations as will make it the grandest pic-nic of the season. The object of the pic-nic speaks sufficiently for itself and there is little need of exhorting our readers to spend a day of innocent amusement to preserve in unocence the little forsaken ones who tender a hearty invitation to all their friends l to meet them en masse in the open air on Wednesday next.

The Gardens can be reached from any quarter of the City by the street cars.

The Catholic Bishops of St. John, Chatham. and Charlottetown, are at present in Halifax, the guests of the Archbishop.

JACQUES CARTIER NORMAL SCHOOL .-- On Monday next, the 19th inst., at 2 o'clock precisely, the distribution of prizes and diplomas to the pupil teachers, and that of the prizes to the pupils of the Model School, will take place at the Jacques Cartier Normal School. The parents of the pupils, and the friends of Educa-

The ceremony of laying the corner stone of the new St. Patrick's Church, at Mount St. Patrick, Co. Renfrew, Ont., will take place on Sunday, 18.h inst., [the octave of dedication of all churches].

divine of Brudenell, will be the preacher. The Rev. J. J. Collins, P.P., of St. Patrick's Church, Ottawa, will officiate. A suitable choir and her reputation as a Professor will certainly bas been organized for the occasion.

As many are looking forward with anxious and throbbing hearts for the new St. Patrick' Church, a temporary building will be erected in Mr W. O. Mitchell, of Newchurch, the mover of which Mass will be celebrated, so as to afford the first resolution, charged Mr Gladstone with givtheir love and veneration for their national and patron saint and to forward a good and holy

> JAMES O'GORMAN, Sec., Building Committee.

# ST. ANTOINE STREET ACADEMY.

Montreal owes to the Sisters of the Congregation not only the two first class educational institutions of Villa Maria and Mount St. Mary's, but also two superior Academies for day scholars years ago. At the public distribution of honors proficiency displayed by the pupils.

The distribution was held in the large Hall at Mount St. Mary's for the sake of more spacious accommodation, and the apartment, which was gracefully decorated for the occasion with flowers and foliage, was crowded with spectators to its fullest extent. The first part of the programme was rendered by the juntor pupils, and one could not help speculating, as the youngest the entertainment, two pieces being played, one his Episcopal City of Kingston, to preside at. quitted themselves of their different parts, either with which the parts were learned. After the

enabled the little ones to acquit themselves so well. After the distribution of prizes to the sixth and seventh classes of the preparatory course, crowns for good conduct were given, and when the happy winners of these latter hoporable distinctions bad re-taken their seats, some excellent vocal music followed, succeeded by a brilliant morceau performed on two pianos and harmonium. A French dialogue entitled " L'Etude et le Blasser," in which the speakers well sustained their parts, was followed by another, equally well spoken, in English, 'Hom mage a Marguerite Bourgeous." Honors of the first course were then awarded, and prizes dis tributed to the elder classes, as also the prizes of proficiency in religious instruction and that of good conduct. These two latter handsome rewards, as well as some others, were generously given, we understand, by the Rev. Canon Le-Blanc, under whose spiritual direction the Academy is placed. There was much changing of position and stretching of necks to see who were the fortunate recipients of these latter distinctions, as well as those who obtained the honors of the first course, and we regret that owing to our not knowing the names, we cannot give them to our readers. The performances were interspersed throughout with excellent music, both vocal and instrumental, which elicited more than once warm applause from the audience. Very handsome specimens of fancy work, embroidery, and plain sewing were exhibited, proving that the Academy of St. Autoine, in this respect as well as in others, is certainly deserving of the favorable reputation it has already acquired.

#### CONVENT OF HOCHELAGA.

On Saturday, 3rd inst., the Sisters of the Convent of Hochelaga gave a grand Matinee Musicale well worth noticing. Indeed, we are sorry that the unfortunate circumstance of the Superior General being sick, preventing the display of the other branches taught in this estab-

As we arrived a little before the time appointed, one of the ladies [Sister Marie Thais] had the kindness to show us through the Establish. ment. It is seldom in an Institution of this kind everything is so well arranged for the comfort and health of the pupils. In this the division of the apartments is perfect. The classes, a magnificent suite of rooms, well ventilated, are only equalled by the well divided dormitory where every convenience is to be found.

The Concert was given in the grand parlour. Fifteen young ladies performed the Grand March from Czerny with an admirable ensemble .-Miss F. Hewbach sung the "Grand Air" from La Juive. This young lady has a pretty Soprano voice, well developed, and of a pleasing effect The overtures to Zampa and Oberon for piano, the first executed by four and the second by six young ladies, were very satisfac. tory; some very good Duets were sung with correctness and taste. Miss Carmel in "Le Souvenir du Theatre Italien,' was persect, ber delicacy, vigor, brilliancy, and style, in this brilliant Morceau, were equally demonstrated. She promises to become a first class pianist. The duet from "Trovatore," played by Misses Valois and Carmel, evinced talent, and these young ladies deserve great credit for the manner in which they executed their part.

A grand duo "Norma," by Miss Hewbach and Miss McGlynn, followed, Miss Hewbach sung well, and Miss McGlenn sung her part in this duel admirably.

The Matinee given at the Convent of Hochelaga does great credit to Madame Petipas, the The Rev. James McCormac, the eloquent Professor of piano and singing, at this Establishment. This lady deserves the thanks of the Montreal public for devoting berself to imparting to others what she possesses to so high a degree, be on a par with her reputation as an artist.-Knowing the great deficulty of this admirable art of singing, the change effected by this lady is surprising. Purity of tone and suppleness in execution, the difficult art of breathing in proper places, without which singing ceases to be pleasing; all these Madame Petipas communicates to her pupils, but to these fine qualities of her pupils in singing, must be added that broad conception of the subject, that agility in execution, that true acceptuation which are characteristics of her pupils in the piano. Thus in a very short period, thanks to Madame Petipas, there will be here a number of first rate pianists endowed with that rarity in musical circles .-Herald.

# COLLEGE OF ST. LAURENT. ANUAL DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES.

The annual distribution of prizes of the St. and half-boarders, that of St. Denis street, and Laurent College took place on the 7th instant. another established in St. Antoine street two The weather was beautiful, and the friends of the pupils and of the institution came in force to see the attendant ceremonies.

The seance was presided over by the Rev. which took place on July 7th, we had the plea- Fatter Saurin. Among the distinguished visitsure of assisting, and were delighted with the ors were Mr Att'y General Ouimet, Hon Judge Beaudry, Rev. Mr. Bayle, superior of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, Monseigneur Vinnette, soiree which the denizens of this locality were Fether Sache, S. J., Mr. Deguise, Dr. Tasse, favored with, by the Sisters of Holy Cross, who

and the Hon. Mr. Lacostre. the College, which, during the day, played several well chosen pieces. An address on Eloquence was given in French by Mr. Brodeur, a light and amusing part of the programme, came

After the prizes had been given, farewell addresses were spoken by D. Rossire, Moutreal, in French and English, and by Edward Mahon, New York, in English. Mr. Attorney General Ouimet then spoke at considerable length in French, recommending the teachers in the College for their excellence, and for the proficiency which their scholars had attained. He also mentioned the commercial course which he said was very thorough, and of great value to the young men studying there.

The Rev. Father Saurin, of Notre Dame du Lac, thanked the Attorney General for his kind remarks concerning the teachers, and testified to the interest which he took in the school. After: a pleasant morning spent in the college, the party broke up. A very fine dinner was served in the relectory of the college to the invited guests. Gazette, 8th inst.

## OTTAWA COLLEGE.

· The annual exhibition given by the students of this institution came off on the eve of " Dominion Day." The large college hall was tastefully decorated with flags and evergreens, and long before the appointed bour, was densely crowded with the elite of the capital. Two beautiful Dramas were selected for the occasion -one in French: "Le fils Adoptif." The other an English Morceaux that elicited loud applauses. The manner in which the "Dramatis personæ" performed their several parts was highly creditable.

The music and singing comprising several choice operas gave universal satisfaction.

At the conclusion of the Drama, the distribution of premiums took place. With anxious eyes and expectant bearts did parents and friends witness those successful students receiving their crowns during this interesting ceremony. Father McKernan then addressed the audience, and made some pleasing remarks, as to the labors of the first year and the success of the students.

The Rev. President spoke a few words in French. Too much praise cannot be lavished on this reverend gentleman who labors year after year, with untiring zeal to forward the success of those entrusted to his care.

With pleasure do we see so many institutions around us on all sides. We know the necessity of our enlightened and educated population. Let us then promote the good work, which has been begun. If we wish to endear our country to the colonist and foreigner, let us instil into the tender minds of its sons, a love of goodness, that no temptation can corrupt, and a love of piety that no misfortuae can subdue.

D. F. F.

#### GREY NUNS' CONVENT EXAMINATION. OTTAWA.

The prizes of honor which are the tribute awarded to extraordinary merit, and to special success in the study of matters not included in he yearly programme, were presented by his Excellency, and by Lady Young, on Tuesday, June 29th.

It is our duty here to say a few words of the two young ladies who have shone foremost among their companions, Miss Nellie O'Meara and Miss Mary Ann Caldwell, both have labored throughout the echolastic year with unceasing energy and perseverance, struggling for the bigbest distinction granted to youthful merit, both have attained the desired object, both have met with the just reward of such zealous toil. They were presented by the bands of their Excellencies with a medal and a diploma, bearing suitable inscriptions.

The whole performance was of a character to inspire the pupils with a full sense of the merit acquired during a preceding examination on many difficult subjects, and to render them always eager in the pursuit of learning.

# ST. MARY'S ACADEMY, OTTAWA.

The annual exhibition of this excellent institution was held on Friday, the 2nd inst., and the beautifully decorated room in which the proceedings took place was filled to its utmost capacity by the friends of the establishment, and by the parents and guardians of the young ladies who are therein receiving their education. All present were highly gratified at the proficiency manifested by the several very numerous classes, and the proceedings were alike creditable to the zealous and energetic ladies who have them in charge, and to the bright and intelligent children who compose them, and who, loving and trusting their teacher, find in their studies recreation and delight as well as instruction, when such are the relations between the teacher and the pupils, it is quite natural that the academy should continue as it does to increase in numbers and usefulness. After the distribution of prizes, the very happy occasion was brought to a close by a very neat speech from Mr. Hayden, followed by "God Save the Queen," very sweetly sung by the whole body of the pupils.

CONVENT OF HOLY CROSS, ALEXANDRIA,

To the Editor of the True Witness.

Kind Sir, - Seeing that your columns are always open to every communication having a tendency to promote the interests of education, I venture to send you the following notes, hurriedly jotted down, regarding a very pleasing have charge of the female department of our The ceremonies were opened by the band of Separate School in this village, on Thursday evening, 8th inst.

The same afternoon we were honored with a visit from our beloved Prelate-Rt. Rev. Dr. punil, and one in English, on Reputation, by Horan-who, graciously yielding to the invita-M. P. Sisk. Dramatics formed no small part of tion of our good Sisters, came all the way from members of the smiling band came forward, and in English, the other French. The particular entertainment, musical and dramatic, and to singly or collectively, as the case might be, ac- excellence of these consisted in the accuracy distribute the prizes, their right to which the pupils bad richly earned at their semi-annual in music or recitation, of the great amount of the distribution of prizes, which were many, and respectively. The Programme usual on such skilful training and patient instruction the good evidently very acceptable to those who received occasions, of vocal and instrumental music, interspersed with dramatic representations, was