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CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 23, St. John Capistran. THURSDAY, Oct. 24, St. Raphael. FRIDAY, Oct. 25, SS. Crispin and Crispina.

Italy.

The Italian Prime Minister has been making a speech, intended to strike terror into the hearts of His Holiness, and as a menace to the friends of the Holy See at home and abroad.

Admitting in his speech that the Papal Monarchy is the most ancient in the world, Crispi goes on to state that its absorption by the present Kingdom of United Italy is a fait accompli, and that His Holiness must submit to the present order of things, be content with his lot, and the scant security the Italian Government can afford him, or suffer the consequences of still more vigorous treatment.

History repeats itself. To-day the condition of the Pope is one of sorrow and humiliation; but a day of reckoning is at hand. Things cannot remain as they are, and despite the big words of Signor Crispi, Catholics throughout the world will continue to protest against the spoliation that has been committed.

The "Mail's" Misrepresentations.

The Toronto Mail in a recent article headed "The latest explosion," says:—"The other day Mr. J. J. Curran, M.P., made a speech at the Ottawa University in which he stated that the unveiling of the statue of the University of Ottawa had equal cause to be gratified when they reflect that owing largely to their teaching and example they have sent into the turmoil of every day life such men as Mr. Curran—men who, by their high attainments, brilliancy of mind, and rectitude of purpose, reflect the very highest honor on their creed and country."

The statement which we have italicized clearly indicates to what wretched straits the anti-Catholic press is driven in its attempt to find grievances. It is only a short time ago since a very respectable body of Protestants, the Anglican Synod, made a laughing stock of themselves by protesting against the changes made in the oath of allegiance administered to public officials, contending that they had been made to omit the scruples of ex-Lieut. Governor Masson.

His Holiness on the continent of America, has gone through all the prescribed forms of the secular law required of all universities in the Dominion. The institution was originally known as the Bytown college, and incorporated as such in 1849 by the old parliament of United Canada.

The Tabaret Statue.

The action of the Alumni of the University of Ottawa in erecting a magnificent bronze statue to the memory of the late Rev. Doctor Tabaret, founder of the institution, is deserving of the highest praise. We are happy to remark that the Irish Catholic graduates of the college have had a noble share in this work.

A Narrow Escape.

On Wednesday last we were visited by what might have proved a disastrous conflagration. Thanks, however, to the coolness of the foreman of our composing room we are enabled to present this issue to our readers.

Mr. J. J. Curran, Q.C., M.P.

We have great pleasure in reproducing the following from the columns of our valued contemporary the Catholic Record, of London, Ont. The friends of Mr. Curran, who are legion in the Dominion, will peruse the following lines with satisfaction:—"A beautiful and soul-stirring oration was that delivered by Mr. J. J. Curran, M.P., at the great demonstration held in Ottawa last week."

Reminiscences.

Looking back on the past of St. Patrick's Church, we, of the older generation, can recall many a scene of rare interest, in which the actors, long since dead, are on many accounts memorable.

St. Patrick's Church was still in its first years when the dread calamity of the "Ship Fever," as it was called, fell heavily on Montreal. Not alone the Irish emigrants in the "Sheds" at Point St. Charles, but many of our citizens were its victims, amongst others, James Mills, the deservedly popular Mayor of that fatal year of 1847, but very many religious, chiefly Grey Nuns, of which noble Sisterhood thirteen died in the service of the plague-stricken emigrants.

down his aged face and his long gray hair fell almost to his shoulders, as he catalogued the saintly virtues of the humble dead. "Oh! my beloved brethren," he said with a thrilling fervor, "weep not for them, although they were of your own blood, the exiled children of your own land, for they truly died in the peace of God, and the sentiments of faith, of piety, of patience, of resignation, with which they bore their cruel sufferings, and died in a strange land far away from their homes and their kindred, will bring forth a rich harvest in the after time and Catholicity will spring from their ashes along the St. Lawrence!"

There were few dry eyes in the church when these burning and prophetic words were uttered. It was but a few days after when the venerable preacher was himself stricken down by the fall disease which had already carried off so many of his reverend brethren, and he speedily sank beneath it—still another martyr of holy charity.

Then came the time when, in the direst need of the congregation, four Jesuit fathers from New York, arrived to fill the places of the priests who had so nobly fallen at the post of duty, and the older members of the congregation still remember the kindly ministrations, the fervent zeal of Fathers Yeller, Du Merle, Dilaool and McDonald, all of whom are long since gone to their eternal reward.

One of these, Father Du Merle, S.J., became another victim to the fever—already beginning to decline in the city. The next scene in the eventful drama was the arrival of Fathers Dowd and McCullin from Ireland, when he was installed as pastor of St. Patrick's—Fathers Conolly and McMahon having gone to the United States some time before. From then till now, Father Dowd has kept the helm with a firm hand and has proved himself, indeed, a leader in Israel.

Another interesting occasion was when His Eminence the late Cardinal McCloskey, even then Archbishop of New York, occupied the pulpit of St. Patrick's, and in the course of his eminently beautiful discourse, paid a high compliment to the zeal of the pastor and the charity of the people in the erection of the noble institutions of charity which he saw grouped around St. Patrick's Church, dwelling particularly on the schools, the strength fire, which at one time threatened to destroy the entire building, was fortunately discovered and checked in time, not however, before several valuable manuscripts were rendered unintelligible.

These are but a very few of the recollections of other and still more trying days, associated with St. Patrick's church, which, did space permit, we could multiply to any extent.

MRS. SADLER.

LITERARY REVIEW.

The National Magazine for November will contain among other articles "Comparative Philology," by Professor de Sobole de Vere, Ph.D., J. U. D., of the University of Virginia; "Political and Commercial History of the Province of Ontario," by Wm. C. O'Brien, Esq., M.A., of the University of Toronto; "The Chinese Question," by W. F. Harkins, Ph.D., Chancellor of the new National University of Chicago, whose instruction by mail and University Extension System for non-residents, now meeting with such favor, will also be explained in this number.

DONAHOE'S MONTHLY MAGAZINE for November is particularly interesting. The leading article answers a question often asked by Protestants and others:—"What do the Catholics want?" The papers—Canada and Her People—continued. L. W. Reilly tells the reason why men don't read our Catholic papers. James Riley gives a second letter telling about what he saw and heard in the old land. Agnes Hampton tells of the Divinity School of the Catholic University. R. F. Farrell answers a writer in the New York Sun—"Historical William Collins has a story in verse, The Green Bras of Tyrone, a story of Hallowe'en. The Hundred Anniversary of Archbishop Carroll. The late Pastoral of Cardinal Gibbons is also given, together with twenty-nine articles, and as many different subjects. The juvenile department, illustrations of St. Angela, Brother Patrick, and Archbishop Carroll, being two dollars a year. One dollar for six months. Address DONAHOE'S MAGAZINE, Boston, Mass.

Burned to Death.

ALMA CRAIG, Oct. 20.—Robert Morton, a farmer living about a mile east of here, had his barn, outbuildings and their contents, which consist of over a thousand bushels of grain and his season's crop of hay, entirely consumed this morning. His son, six or seven years old, was also burned to death in the barn. It seems he and his brother, ten years old, were playing in the left of the barn, and when the fire started the oldest got down the ladder and called for the other to come, but the little fellow could not get down for the flames, and although the older child ran for the father, before he could get there the flames had spread so that he could not get to his assistance. The body was found afterwards at the other end of the barn terribly mutilated, the head and legs entirely burned away. It is supposed the boys were playing with matches and set fire to the hay. The loss of property will be heavy, as the building was only insured for \$500, and the contents for a small amount.

Bishop Walsh Resigns.

WINDSOR, Ont., October 19.—The bishop of the diocese of London and council, Very Rev. Donal, D. Kilroy, of St. John's church, Worcester, Mass., who received the insignia of the office on Wednesday. In the Pope's letter it was stated that the honor was conferred in recognition of Father Griffin's zeal in the cause of religion and of Catholic education.

CATHOLIC CULLINGS.

Interesting Items Gleaned from all Quarters of the Globe.

In the first half of last month 24,000 pilgrims visited Lourdes.

There are now over eight thousand clergymen in the United States.

There are no fewer than eight French dioceses at present without bishops.

A new church, estimated to cost \$50,000 is to be erected shortly in Oil City, Pa.

The magnificent Catholic Cathedral at Hong Kong, in China, holds 4,000 people.

There are now 318 priests in the Chicago archdiocese, an increase of 16 over last year.

The only novitiate for Jesuits in the South is situated at Vineville, a beautiful suburb of Macon, Ga.

Archbishop Flood, of the Port of Spain, was received by the Holy Father in private audience on the 2nd inst.

The Capuchin Fathers of Constantinople have just completed the building of their new seminary.

His Holiness, Leo XIII., has just convoked a General Council in Japan. It will be held in January of next year.

It is expected that Bishop Wigger will bless the German immigrants at New York city, for German immigration, November 1st.

The Right Rev. Udo C. Grant, Catholic bishop of Aberdeen, died on September 26. He had held the bishopric only a month.

Archduke Eugene, the father of the queen regent of Spain, has for some time been studying theology in the seminary of Olmutz.

The corporation of Waterford, Ireland, have conferred the freedom of the city on Archbishop Croke. No date has been set for his acceptance yet.

Rev. Father Davis, the Catholic priest who was so noted for assisting the sufferers by the Johnstown flood, is dead. He died in Denver, Colo.

In England the two dioceses of Liverpool and Salford contain about 500,000 Catholics, or one-third of the entire Catholic population of the country.

On the morning of the 8th, Sister Mary Norinckx, of the Loreto Order, died at St. Mary's Academy, Denver, Col. She was 23 years of age.

Mrs. Holland, the wife of the Very Rev. Francis Holland, one of the Canons of Canterbury Cathedral, has been received into the Catholic Church.

Three Catholic Indian chiefs, including Red Cloud, will be at the Catholic Congress in Baltimore next November to represent the Catholic aborigines of America.

The sanctuary of Our Lady of Einsiedeln, Switzerland, was visited by 200,000 pilgrims. There were 147,000 Communion and 19,000 Masses at the shrine.

Cardinal Manning says that "Drink lays the seed of a harvest of disease, and that it slays from 60,000 to 121,000 people in the United Kingdom every year."

Rustem Pasha, the Turkish ambassador, is a Catholic, descended from one of the old Christian families of the Levant. He has been spending the autumn at Eastbourne.

The Catholic Times, of Wellington, announces the reception into the Church of Mr. W. A. Gordon Macpherson, M.A., Edinburgh University, who is travelling in New Zealand.

The Very Rev. Sebastiano Martinielli, who was the novice-master of Prior Glynn, founder of St. Patrick's Church in Rome, has been elected General of the Augustinian Order.

The little band of devoted missionaries at Mokone, now number nine. The Rev. Fathers Wandell, Gandy, Brooker, James and Joseph, laymen and five Franciscan Sisters.

In several parts of Georgia, in Macon, Augusta, etc., the public schools are taught by the Sisters of Mercy, to whom the salaries of ordinary teachers are paid by the school board.

The various nationalities are represented in the Milwaukee Catholic parochial schools as follows:—German, 3,899; English speaking, 2,788; Polish, 2,698; Bohemian, 273; total, 9,657.

The King of Samoa has written to Cardinal Moran, of Sydney, thanking him for monetary assistance given, without distinction of creed, to the sufferers by the recent hurricane.

The Church of the Sacred Heart, New Haven, Conn., was consecrated on Sunday week by Rt. Rev. Bishop McMahon. There are at present five churches in Connecticut to be consecrated.

Captain Kane, of H.M.S. Calipso, the hero of the Samoan hurricane, is not only an Irishman, but also a Catholic. Two of his cousins are priests, and another is Chief Justice of the Niger Protectorate.

The former Jesuit novitiate at West Park, London, has been taken over by St. John's College, Fordham, as a villa for its students. The new two-years' course of ecclesiastical engineering is just inaugurated.

A new Catholic hospital has been opened in San Francisco, Cal., and placed in charge of the religious of the Franciscan Order. A wealthy and charitable Irish Catholic lady has donated the requisite building and grounds.

St. Joseph's school Cincinnati, O., has sent on the large number of 37 priests; St. Francis' school, Cincinnati, sent 30; St. Mary's, Cincinnati, 16; St. Mary's Cincinnati, 14, and other schools similar results.

A new association of pious women has been organized in New Orleans. It is called the Daughters of St. Margaret, and has for its object the giving of an outfit to poor children who are about to make their first communion.

Cardinal Haynald, the Archbishop of Kolozsva, in Hungary, will shortly celebrate the 50th anniversary of his ordination; he has set aside a sum of 400,000 florins for the foundation of gas and charitable institutions on that occasion.

It is reported that Mr. Addis, formerly Father Addis, priest of the Catholic mission at Sydneyham, whose secession caused a considerable sensation some time since, has returned to the Catholic Church, and is at present on retreat.

The Monastery at Wincanton, England, has just been rebuilt and opened after a period of 84 years, since it was closed by the so-called Reformers. There were twenty-six converts conferred on the occasion of the inauguration ceremonies.

On the 15th, Rt. Rev. Bishop Keane, Rector of the Catholic University, with other clergymen, called on the President and invited him to attend the opening of the Catholic University on the 13th prox. The President accepted the invitation.

A Reuter's telegram from Sydney announces the death of a Catholic missionary priest, who was also a distinguished man of science—Father Julian "Tomson" "Tomson," order to navigate with the Oxford Tractorian Movement brought into the Church.

The Mexican Episcopate have dispatched to the Holy Father a telegram expressing their collective protest against the insults and outrages offered to God, to religion and especially to the city of Rome and the Holy Father by erection of a monument to the execrable memory of the apostate Giordano Bruno.

Another Montserrat has been added to those of the United States in the person of Rev. Thomas Griffin, rector of St. John's church, Worcester, Mass., who received the insignia of the office on Wednesday. In the Pope's letter it was stated that the honor was conferred in recognition of Father Griffin's zeal in the cause of religion and of Catholic education.

A Belgian priest, Rev. Valentine Bruet, of Villebroek, diocese of Mechlin, is about to follow the example of Father Damien and set out for the island of "Madagascar," order to navigate with the Oxford Tractorian Movement brought into the Church.

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Wendell also works in the leprosy colony in company with Father Conroy, who has been suddenly attacked by sickness and will soon return, there will then be three priests left for the care of the leprosy, thus affording one example of the blessing following the example of the deceased Father Damien.—Der Weltkreis.

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The late Most Rev. Dr. Kelly, bishop of Derry, Ireland, by his will leaves the residue of his estate and effects to his executors in trust for the Roman Catholic Seminary of St. Columba, Derry. After payment of his just debts and funeral expenses he has bequeathed £100 to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul for the poor of Derry, and £100 for strictly religious purposes.

The emperor has created Prince Augustus of Saxony a Knight of the Order of the Golden Fleece. The prince is the eldest son of Prince George of Saxony, and heir presumptive of the Saxon throne. The Order of the Golden Fleece, of which the emperor is chief, and which is restricted to Catholicism, now numbers seventy-nine knights, including twenty-two Austrian archbishops.

Archbishop Ryan, of Philadelphia, in a pastoral on the Roman difficulty says it is not a question of mere temporal power, but of spiritual independence of another's temporal power. The Pope, he feels sure, would prefer the pleasure of the Vatican library to those of a Royal court, but he feels it is his duty to his sublime office to lift his voice in defence of the liberty of the head of the Church.

The General Chapter of the Franciscans was held on Thursday, the 3d inst. in Rome, under the presidency of Cardinal Simoni, Prefector of the Order. Father Louis of Parma, Provincial of Bologna, was chosen to be the new General of the Order. Twelve Definitors and ninety-eight Provincials from all parts of the world took part in the election. Very Rev. Father David, O.S.F., represented the British provinces.

It was hoped that the Mexican government was allowing the laws against the religious Orders to fall into desuetude. Unfortunately this is not the case. Three Jesuits who were giving a mission to the miners of the La Luz mining districts were arrested some weeks ago. These arrests have been followed by the imprisonment of four other Jesuits for preaching to the Indians in the same districts, and the Chief of La Luz for having offered them hospitality.

The Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, an order recently introduced into the United States for the Polish Catholic schools. Their first house was founded in Chicago, Ill., in 1855. They have now two convents and schools in that city. Recently they have been introduced into the parish of the Sacred Heart, Scranton, Pa., by the Rev. Father Scigrizzi.

The Order is composed mainly of Polish ladies, and the Mother House is in Rome. Mother Mary Loretta of the Presentation, is Provincial of the Order in America.

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Rev. Father O'Donnell's Return.

Rev. P. O'Donnell, of St. Mary's, Craig street, after his trip to Europe—and the opportunity of reading the authoritative document which the Holy Father has sent us from Rome; and I have been inexpressibly shocked to be informed of the infidel declarations brought to our notice in them as preached in the holy city. As I have not the vigor and the force to bring them before the minds of my people, I am obliged to rely on many priests left here still as a means of bringing my horror at what I read. Sympathize with me then, my dear children, if my words require to be patiently listened to by the hearers, and pray God to make up for me in your hearts, in the grave interests of the Church, what is wanting in my words on this occasion.

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