

APPENDIX.

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OUR CATHOLIC INDIANS.

"LO! THE POOR INDIAN!"

We called attention some weeks since, to the fact that a bill was pending in Congress which contemplated consolidating the Tulalip Indian Agency heretofore assigned to the Catholic Church under the "Peace Policy," with the Puyallup and S'Kokomish Agencies, assigned to Protestant denominations. We predicted that the new consolidated agency would not be placed under Catholic supervision, but that the change—like all changes made in the administration of Indian Affairs since the inauguration of the present policy—would redound to the advantage of some denomination which, without Government favor, could never have exerted any perceptible influence over the Indians.

To-day we grieve to have to chronicle the fact that Congress has passed the bill referred to, and that our prediction has passed into the realm of reality.

The consolidated agency is hereafter to be officially known as the *Nisqually, S'Kokomish and Tulalip Agency*, and Mr. Edwin Eells, the old agent of the late S'Kokomish Agency, nominated by the Congregational Church, is to be the future governor of all the tribes of the Puget Sound district, the President having sent in his name to the Senate for confirmation.

A brief historical sketch of the Indians comprised within the present Nisqually, S'Kokomish and Tulalip Agency may be of interest to the sympathetic reader, and we proceed to give an account of them.