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Calendar for the Week.

- Aug 20-S. Bernard, Fr. of the Church. 21-S. Lane Francis de Chantal. 22-Octave of the Assumption. 23-Feast of the Most Pure Heart of Mary. 24-S. Bartholomew, Ap. 25-S. Louis King of France. 26-Zephyrius, P. and M.

The Register and the Irish Race Convention.

The forthcoming National Convention in Dublin, at which representatives of the Irish race in all parts of the world will be present, is looked forward to as one of the most remarkable and important events of the century.

The pleasant spectacle was witnessed in Scotland last week of an Elder of the Kirk welcoming to Dumfries, once a stronghold of Catholic Scotland, representatives of the Young Men's Catholic Societies of Great Britain.

Lord Russell of Killowen, who will take in Toronto and other Canadian cities as part of his present American trip, is not only one of the foremost Irishmen of to-day, but, perhaps, the foremost Catholic layman in the British Empire.

"Bystander" (Mr. Goldwin Smith) in last week's Sun expressed satisfaction with the Irish Land Bill and hoped the last of Irish agrarian agitation had been roused.

The land can no longer sustain the three orders of landlord, tenant farmer and laborer. One at least of the three must go, and the one-potter must be that one.

Daily reports from the island of Crete bring sickening details of murders and outrages by Turks upon Christians.

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The Presbyterian Review professes to have unlimited faith in the devotion of the workman to the Sabbathian Sunday. It severely dresses down the gentleman who formed a deputation to the Mayor in favor of Sunday cars.

A spark of madness left you shall resent the crime. These men use your name in this matter in order to further their own ends; they have the effrontery to use your name and Poverty's sacred work, in a baseless effort to enthrone themselves at the expense of the poor.

The Review should have remembered that the merciless capitalists are not the people who will use the cars on Sunday. If the cars are used, it is the working men and their wives and children who will use them.

How hard it is for a decent Protestant in Derry to rise above the most un-Christian sectarianism has just been proved: says the Dublin Freeman's Journal, in a peculiarly ugly fashion.

The history of the University of Aberdeen, by M. J. M. Bullock, published by Hodder and Houghton (London) is an interesting chapter in the story of Scotland and the effects of the so-called Reformation.

It was really the great Bishop Elphinstone who had instigated the giving of the Bursar and by his most capable hands the University was equipped from the very beginning with the four Faculties of Arts, Theology, Law, and Medicine.

William J. Bryant, the Democratic candidate for the presidency of the United States, has been heard by a New York audience. After his Chicago speech at the nomination it was said his eloquence just suited the west.

The Landlords and the Tories.

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question of improvement. The great object is, of course, to make perfectly sure that in the future as in the past the tenant shall be reaped on his own improvements.

There has been some pretence on the part of Mr. Balfour and the Tories in the House of Commons of offence at the action of the Lords in remodeling the Bill to serve their own selfish ends.

The Lords had materially altered the bill to the detriment of the tenants, but he hoped the Lords would accept the measure in the shape the Commons would return it to them, otherwise it would be a calamity to Ireland.

The whole thing seems to have been a matter of arrangement. While professing displeasure that the Lords should regard with contempt the deliberations of the representatives of the people, Mr. Balfour seems to have been careful not to interfere with the most material alterations in the Bill made in the House of Lords.

The Conservative Party.

There is some little revival of political interest over the election in North Grey. The contest is between the Liberals and the McCarthys; and there can be little doubt concerning the issue in such an unequal fight.

The Money Struggle in the United States.

From the reception of Bryant in New York, from the depressed condition of the United States, and from the apparent hopelessness of restoring the currency to safety under the present system, opinions may be formed favorable to the chance of election of the Democratic candidate.

Huxley on the Catholic Church.

Huxley's respect for the Catholic Church as the only real fighting army in the field against Unbelief is recalled in the Nineteenth Century in an article contributed by Wilfred Ward.

serious interest in the success of McKinley. The prohibitive tariff doctrine for which the author of the McKinley Bill was abused a few years ago, have either been forgotten now or have been transformed into virtues in comparison with the detestation in with Bryan.

Mr. Ward now reveals the fact that the Catholic college so highly praised by Mr. Huxley thirty years ago was Maynooth. The visit to which he refers, and his conversation with the Maynooth professors, made a deep impression upon him, which he confessed in the following sentences:

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The Croak from Cathay.

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family, with their choice of Protestantism and woe, or faith and starvation. We are not proselytizers as the Presbyterians are proselytizers in Quebec, or as kindred misers in England and in Ireland are proselytizers snatching up whosoever they get the chance Catholic children who by some misfortune are thrown in their path and hiding them away from their guardians and rightful protectors.

While we take this ground we are desirous of investigating as far as possible the complaint which our Presbyterian friends in Canada have received from their missionaries in far Cathay. Honan is the province in which the late outrages against foreigners took place. We do not forget that at that time the Protestant missionaries with their wives and children fled the country under consular protection.

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