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CITY AND ELSEWHERE.

The Czar of all the Russias is not dead yet.

The elections for the Northwest Legislative Assembly taken place to-day.

The China-Japan war is still progressing, so far favorable to the Japs, who a few days ago succeeded in routing 22,000 celestials.

The deaths from typhoid fever at St. Boniface hospital have been very few when compared with the number of patients treated there.

Tomorrow is All Saints Day, a holiday of obligation and one which Catholics throughout the world observe with due solemnity.

SEVERAL Germans at present resident in Winnipeg intend settling in the vicinity of St. Boniface, where there are said to be 1,900 acres of land for sale at a very reasonable price.

A Protestant gentleman was heard to remark: "To know the true worth of the Catholic Sisters, go over to St. Boniface Hospital as a patient; never could a mother attend more assiduously and lovingly to your wants."

The Toronto civic executive committee has recommended to council a grant of \$500 toward the erection of a monument in Queen's park to the volunteers who fell in the Northwest rebellion.

LORD Rosebery is not the man people thought him to be. Already he has himself tangled up so badly that his reign as Prime minister will very likely be short lived.

A FAREWELL banquet was given to the Hon. Mr. Laurier at the Manitoba Hotel on last Thursday night. Upwards of 300 Liberals sat down to table. The Leader of the Opposition made a speech dwelling altogether on "Free trade."

"Why do you send your daughter to the Sisters to be educated?" This question was asked by one gentleman to another: neither men belong to our creed. The reply was: "because I know she will be brought up as a young lady."

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Northern Pacific and Manitoba Railway company will be held in this city on Monday, the 3rd day of December, at 11 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year.

AGENT Swinford, of the Northern Pacific left Monday afternoon for Brandon and points along his line to arrange for the opening of the eastern excursions. C. E. Lang, agent at the Portage, will take the road for the season in the interests of the company.

WHAT shipments to the east still continue to crowd the C. P. R. tracks between here and Port Arthur with heavily laden trains. On Saturday 314 cars were sent out. The receipts at the C. P. R. lake elevators last week were 893,800; the shipments 890,672; in store 1,529,624.

FRIDAY will be All Souls Day, that day above all others when Catholics listen to the voices of the suffering souls in Purgatory, who cry out to them in the words of the Psalmist "have pity upon me, have pity on me, at least you my friends, for the hand of the Lord hath touched me."

On last Sunday morning the attendance at the Catholic churches in Winnipeg was as large as usual thus showing the reality of the faith, which possesses the Catholic soul. The weather was wretchedly bad, bad enough to deter those of other sects from venturing out, yet Catholics feared not the storm, and were seen sitting in their pews, as if the glorious sunshine had tempted them forth.

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Cardinal Svampa.

Facts Concerning One Who May Be
Next Pope.

Though Pope Leo's health is good the question of his successor claims no little attention. The Rome correspondent of York Herald writes:

The most recent candidate for the Papacy is Cardinal Svampa, Archbishop of Bologna, who, if he some day should sit on the chair of St. Peter, must especially thank his name. There is a book of Latin prophecies giving a motto for each of the Popes, which they has never failed. For Pius IX. the prophecy was "Crux de cruce," for Leo XIII. "Lumen de coelo" and for the successor of the present Pope "Ignis ardens" (a burning fire), and Svampa in Italian means flame. This, by the superstitious, is taken as a sure sign that he will be the next occupant of the Pontifical throne.

Besides his name there are other reasons for the credulous to consider Cardinal Svampa as the future "Ignis ardens." His coat-of-arms is a sun surrounded by rays of fire. Before being Cardinal he was Bishop of Forlì in Romagna, which is the most turbulent region in Italy, the inhabitants of which are said, figuratively, to have fire in their veins.

It must be added that the patron of Forlì is the Madonna of fire. The origin of this Madonna is through a miracle which took place in Forlì. About three centuries ago, in the palace of Marquis Faolucci, there were public schools, and on the wall in one room a picture of the Madonna was hanging, painted by the schoolmaster on a large piece of paper. One day fire destroyed almost the entire palace and in the school-rooms nothing was saved except this Madonna, which was found entire except the picture, which even now can be admired in the Cathedral of the town.

I know that when Cardinal Galimberti, who is called the "Pope-maker," heard of Mgr. Svampa being created a Cardinal, he exclaimed: "Here is the next Pope." An American prelate who is now in Rome tells me that Mgr. Satolli, when he knew that Bishop Svampa had been elected Cardinal said: "Quest'è e stoffa papabile" (this is Papal stuff). "He has no sin but his age." In fact, Cardinal Svampa is only 43, but as, according to Professor Laponi, the Pope's doctor, Leo XIII., if nothing unforeseen happens, will live at least ten years more, what Mgr. Satolli calls the only sin of Cardinal Svampa will be corrected.

POPE LEO'S PROPHECY.

A Brooklyn Man Converted in the Time
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"Have courage, my daughter. Your husband will become a Catholic," were the words of Pope Leo XIII to Mrs. Francis H. Throop, of Brooklyn, N. Y., the leader of the band of ninety-three pilgrims which left Brooklyn last July to secure the Pope's blessing at Rome and present prayers and petitions to our Lady of Lourdes.

"And his words came true within a week," said Mrs. Throop, "although my husband had no idea of such a think at the time."

Mr. and Mrs. Throop, with a small delegation of the original ninety-three pilgrims, reached New York recently on the steamer Pennland. Mr. Throop was the only Protestant in the Party of pilgrims. He was converted to the Catholic faith at Lourdes, and was there baptized within a week after the Pope had uttered his prophetic words. "We had an audience with the Holy Father the day after we arrived in Rome," said Mrs. Throop to a reporter. "The Pope was to celebrate Mass, and we went to the Consistory chapel in the morning. The Pope looked so feeble I hardly thought he would be able to get through with the services. The scene was very impressive."

"I went up after the priests, and then the Holy Father called for my husband, too, and taking our hands in his he joined them, saying: 'Whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder.' Then he pronounced the Benediction over us, and told me that my husband would be converted."

"The greater part of the first day at Lourdes was devoted to services. There was Mass in the Basilica, a sermon by Bishop Keane, of Washington, in the afternoon, and in the evening the pilgrims took candles, formed a torchlight procession, and winding in and out among the paths, went to the grotto, where he had service."

"That was on August 15th, and it was Bishop Keane's sermon that settled all my husband's doubts. Two days later he was received into the church and was baptized by the Bishop."

After Many Days.

Holmfeld, Man., Feb. 14, 1890.
W. H. COMSTOCK, Brockville, Ont.

DEAR SIR—For 12 years my wife was a martyr to that dread disease, dyspepsia. Nothing relieved her; physicians were consulted and medical skill tried, without avail. One doctor advised a change of climate, suggesting Manitoba as a desirable place. We acted upon this advice, coming here two years ago. The change of climate wrought a change indeed, but for the worse, as she was soon confined to bed, and under the care of two doctors, who asserted she could live but a month longer. A neighbor came to see her one day who had been reading your almanac. She told her of the testimonials she read in it, of the great amount of good they were doing, and advised her to try a box of Dr. Morse's Indian Root Pills. She did so, was relieved, kept improving, and is now able to do housework, and continues the use of Morse's Pills.

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