

FORGIVENESS.

BY WILLIAM LIVINGSTON.

When having sinned we very humbly kneel  
In path to seek forgiveness, then how low,  
How insignificant, how weak we feel,  
But when absolved we rise, our faces glow  
With heaven's happiness; then all below  
Seems strangely beautiful, soft green-steal  
Aerial our hearts, and makes us long to heal  
Another's wounds and stop the weeping's  
flow.

COLUMBUS.

POPE LEO XIII. COMMENDS HIS CHARACTER.

He gained a New World from the shadow  
of Barbarism—He Was Primarily  
Inspired by the Catholic Faith.

The letter addressed by Pope Leo XIII. to the archbishops and bishops of Spain, Italy and the two Americas on the subject of Christopher Columbus says: From the end of the fifteenth century, since a man from Liguria first landed, under the auspices of God, on the transatlantic shores, humanity has been strongly inclined to celebrate with gratitude the recollection of this event. It would certainly not be an easy matter to find a more worthy cause to teach their hearts and kindle their zeal. The event, in effect, is such in itself that no other epoch has seen a grander and more beautiful deed accomplished by man; as to him who accomplished it, there are few who can be compared to him in greatness of soul and of life.

By his work a new world flashed forth from the unexplored ocean, thousands upon thousands of mortals were returned to the common society of the human race, led from their barbarous life to peacefulness and civilization, and, which is of much more importance, recalled in their petition to eternal life by the bestowal of the gifts which Jesus Christ brought to the world. Europe, astonished by the novelty and the prodigiousness of this unexpected event, understood little by little in due time what she owed to Columbus, when, by sending her to America, by frequent communications, by exchange of services, by the resources

and received in return, there was discerned an accession of the most favorable nature, to the reciprocal abundance of goods, with the result that the prestige of Europe increased enormously. Therefore, it would not be fitting amid these numerous testimonials of honor and in these concerts of festivity, that the church should maintain complete silence, since, in accordance with her character and her institutions, she will always approve and endeavor to favor all that appears, wherever it is, to be worthy of honor and praise.

There is, in addition, an entirely special reason which we believe, we should commemorate in a grateful spirit of immortal event. It is that Columbus is one of us. When one considers with what motive above all he undertook the plan of exploring the dark sea, and with what object he endeavored to realize this plan, one cannot but be deeply inspired by the enterprise and its execution, so that by this title also humanity is not a little indebted to the Genoese.

The letter says that many men of high soul and full of experience, before Columbus and after him, explored, with persevering efforts, unknown lands across seas still more unknown. Their memory is celebrated, but there is a very great difference between them and Columbus. Columbus fell upon an object more grand and more elevated than the others. This does not say that he was influenced by a desire for mastering science and for glory, or that he was not at all looking to his personal interests. But,

ABOVE ALL THESE human reasons, that of religion was uppermost by a great deal, in him, and it was this, without doubt, which sustained his spirit and his will and which frequently, in the midst of extreme difficulties, filled him with consolation.

Having learned by astronomy and ancient documents that beyond the limits of the known world there were large tracts of territory unexplored, he considered the immense multitude of those who were plunged in lamentable darkness, subject to insane rites and to the superstitions of senseless divinities. He considered that they led a savage life, with ferocious customs, that, most miserably still, they were wanting in all notion of the most important things, and that they were plunged in ignorance of the only true God. Therefore, he aimed, first of all, to propagate the name of Christian and the benefits of Christian charity in the West.

In proof of Columbus' religious zeal, the letter cites the discoverer's declarations on the subject to Ferdinand and Isabella, to Pope Alexander VI., and to Raphael Sanchez, and also Isabella's testimony to that effect. It was inevitable, says the letter, that a man overwhelmed with a burden of trials so great and so intense would have succumbed had he not sustained himself by the consciousness of fulfilling a very noble enterprise, which he conjectured would be glorious for the Christian name and salutary for

AN INFINITE MULTITUDE.

Continuing the letter says that, in effect, Columbus discovered America at about the period when a great tempest was going to overwhelm itself against the Church. It really seems that the man for whom Liguria honors herself was destined by a special plan of God to compensate Catholicism for the injury which it was going to suffer in Europe. To call the Indian race to Christianity was without doubt the mission and the work of the Church.

The letter states that Columbus matured his grand plan of discovery in a convent, with the advice of a monk; invoked the divine blessing at the different stages of his enterprise, and took possession

of the land he discovered in the name of Jesus Christ. It declares that in order to celebrate worthily the solemn anniversary of Columbus, the sacredness of religion must be united to the splendour of civil pomp.

The Pope, therefore, decrees that on Oct. 12, or the following Sunday, if the respective diocesan bishops judge it to be opportune, after the office of the day, the solemn mass of the very holy Trinity shall be celebrated in the cathedral and collegial churches of Spain, Italy and the two Americas. In addition to these countries, he hopes that, upon the initiative of the bishops, as may be done in the others. In case of the Pope accords the apostolic benediction to the prelates whom he addresses, and to the clergy and people. The letter bears the date of July 16.—Boston "Republic."

The New Vicar-General.

La Semaine Religieuse thus speaks of the Rev. Abbe Bourgeault, who has just been appointed successor to the late lamented Mr. Marechal.

"Many ties bound him, no doubt, to the parish of Laprairie, where he has been parish priest for so many years, and he had reached that age when a complete change of occupations and habits, is always the occasion of a real sacrifice, no matter how great the honor conferred. Mr. Bourgeault did not stop a moment before these human considerations; his superior called him and he saw in that the will of God; he accepted. M. le Vicar-General will come to the Archbishop's Palace at the end of next month. He may be certain that he will meet with a cordial welcome. He always enjoys the esteem and veneration of the whole clergy and it is pleasing for us to know, that, by his profound piety, his modesty and his regular habits, he will recall to us the good priest and the tender father who so was suddenly taken away from us."

Mr. Blake's Return to Canada.

The Toronto Globe had a special from London on Saturday, as follows: Mr. Blake has determined to sail for Canada by the "Parisian" on Thursday next. Before departing, however, he has promised to speak for Mr. Morley at Newcastle-on-Tyne. The meeting will be held on Monday. It will be Mr. Blake's first acquaintance with a popular English assemblage. The selection of Mr. Blake as one of the speakers on behalf of one of Mr. Gladstone's colleagues is looked upon as a high compliment to the Canadian. The electors of Newcastle, who recently had the opportunity of hearing Mr. Gladstone expound what has since been termed the Newcastle programme, will have an opportunity of comparing Mr. Blake's powers as a public speaker with those of the English Liberal leader. Mr. Blake does not expect to stay long in Canada, but will return to England about the middle of the autumn.

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The Catholic Church at the Fair.

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his co-laborers. The Pope says this undertaking will tend to show that the Catholic Church does not countenance any lack of education or culture nor conditions of ignorance, but that, mindful of its being built for the Divine Worship, it bestows care every where in general and provides especially what is most perfect in those things which relate to the proper communication of knowledge.

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An Executive Commissioner for Canada has been appointed, who will have the general charge of the exhibits and the allotment of space, and the several Provincial Governments have been invited to cooperate with the view of making the exhibition as complete and satisfactory as possible.

The Dominion Government will pay the transport of exhibits going and returning, and for the placing of articles sent.

Entries must be made not later than 31st July. The reception of articles at the Exposition buildings will commence 1st November, 1892, and all exhibits, excepting Live Stock, must be in place by 1st April, 1893.

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WM. SAUNDERS, Executive Commissioner for Canada, Department of Agriculture, Ottawa, 6th April, 1892.

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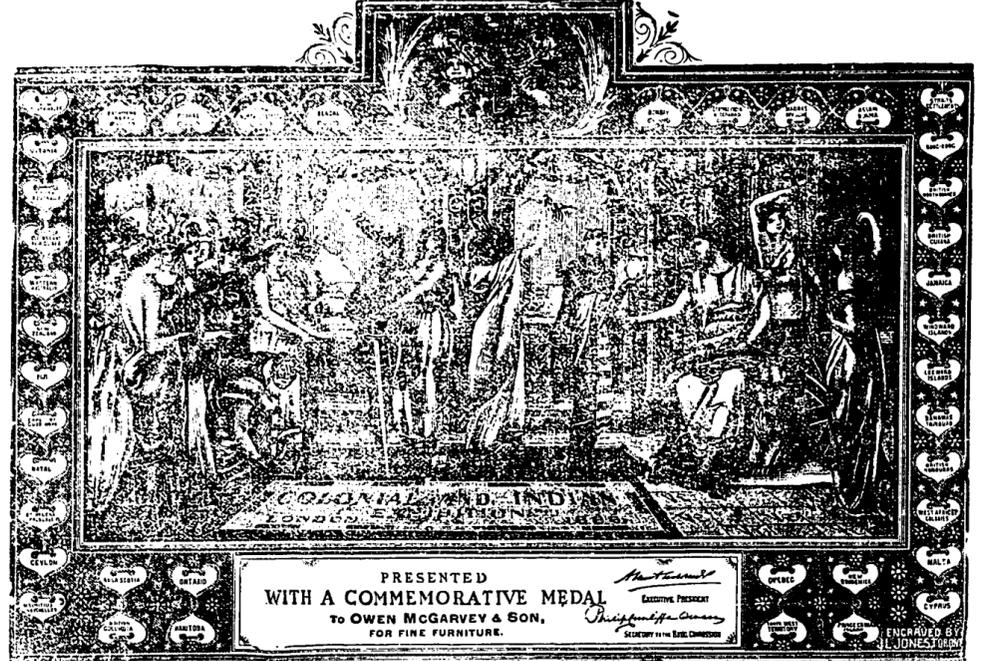
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the furniture of these hardy colonists is too much affected by the American style to command the admiration of the artistic. It is, however, fair to say that in many cases the goods which are shown are free from such blemishes, notably those exhibited by Messrs. Owen McGarvey & Son, of Montreal. The chair and table here figured (referring to illustrations of those articles) are unique selections from the exhibit of this firm, and the designs will speak for themselves." They have been awarded medals, diplomas and other distinctive recognitions from the Paris, Belgium, and late Indian and Colonial exhibitions, as well as from all the Dominion exhibitions, where they have exhibited. As manufacturers and dealers in furniture, they have placed upon the market some of the finest drawing room, parlor, dining and library suites, as well as the finer grades of bed-room furniture, in which line they make a specialty. It is well known that McGarvey has never resorted to any exaggerated advertising, employed any outside salesman, or canvassing agents. His numerous customers have always received the most respectful attention to the requirements of all visiting his establishment. He inherits all the well

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