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CATHOLIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY, 16—St. Hyacinthe, Confessor. FRIDAY, 17—Octave of St. Lawrence. SATURDAY, 18—Of the Octave of the Assumption...

The total number of visitors to the International Fisheries Exhibition, London, from the opening up to last week was 874,764.

HOME of the leading magazines of England are far from being exclusive. The next number of the Nineteenth Century will, it is stated, contain an article on Fenianism...

QUEEN VICTORIA is quite angry with the poor Duke of Teck, who is married to a first cousin of Her Majesty, for having permitted his household effects to be sold out by the sheriff...

In another column will be found our weekly letters from Michael Davitt, special correspondent of THE POST and TRUE WITNESS. The letter contains a comprehensive review of the political situation...

There has been no sentence passed during late years which has given more satisfaction to the community, and especially to the female portion thereof, than the one which Judge Dugas pronounced yesterday against a miserable wretch...

The people of Great Britain and Ireland do considerable travelling within their own eight little islands. A return just issued relating to the railway of the United Kingdom shows that at the end of 1882 the number of passengers conveyed...

The Quebec Government seem bent on carrying on the work of retrenchment. It is only a few weeks ago that Hon. Mr. Mousseau announced that the Cabinet had acted on the recommendations of the Civil Service Commission...

THE other day we called attention to a certain anomaly in the administration of the liquor law, whereby a simple clerk of the court was enabled both to curtail the effects of the License Act and balk the good intentions of the Magistrate...

punishing offending liquor sellers by depriving them of their licenses. Ald. Grenier, who is acting chairman of the Police Committee, has acted promptly in the matter...

SOME Canadian gentleman is going to have an easy thing of it during the term of our next Governor General. An Ottawa despatch informs us that an officer to be known as the Dominion ad-de-camp will be appointed at Rideau Hall on the arrival of the Marquis of Lansdowne...

We acknowledge to-day the receipt of fifty dollars from the Irish residents of Eganville, Ont. as their contribution to the National Testimonial for Mr. Parnell. The time is approaching when the subscription list will have to be closed...

When the English detectives went through the sham performance of arresting the notorious James McDermott, of Brooklyn, on board the steamer which arrived yesterday at Liverpool, he said he would call on the American Government to protect him...

MR. P. LAPOINTE, acting Building Inspector, is at present engaged in drawing up a plan whereby the Corporation will be enabled to keep a record of all buildings and steam engines erected in this city, according to class, construction, number, and value...

PUBLIC men and especially public writers, in England, have, on frequent occasions, displayed woeful ignorance of the affairs, the land, the resources, in fact, of the whole life of the Canadian colony.

at high water mark." That a paper, published in the interests of Canada, should endorse and ventilate such an ignorant absurdity, is quite incomprehensible.

TEXAS is an idea—one, however, that is being rapidly dissipated—that the Irish are the greatest whiskey drinkers in the world. It is nothing uncommon to see, on the stage and in the novel, an Irishman represented in the character of a rollicking tippler...

NICHOLAS FLOOD DAVIS, the editor of the Regina Leader, makes the astounding statement in a recent article that "there never was a truer friend of Ireland than Mr. Goldwin Smith."

GOVERNOR BEN BUTLER, of Massachusetts, does not believe in pardoning criminals because they are rich and educated and belong to aristocratic families.

In an article on the appointment of Lord Lansdowne to the Governor-Generalship of Canada, La Minerve takes Mr. Gladstone severely to task for having selected such a man for the position.

Marquis and to the deep discontent which exists among the citizens of Irish origin, our contemporary expresses the hope that the coming of Lansdowne will not be marked by any hostile manifestation.

A DYNAMITER IN THE PAY OF THE BRITISH GOVERNMENT

It is now generally admitted that the notorious James McDermott, of Brooklyn, was not only a fierce dynamiter, but that he was one of those well paid cut agents of the English Government, which allowed him to talk dynamite boldly and openly on the public squares...

Such, at all events, will be the interpretation put upon McDermott's extraordinary return to England and arrest there by those who already had their suspicions of his fidelity so strongly awakened.

THE FRENCH-CANADIAN RACE

During the past three days our French-Canadian fellow-countrymen have been holding their annual national celebration at Flatbush, N.Y.

The presence of Sir Hector Langevin and other leading public men on these occasions, proves that they are not the insignificant local meetings that some narrow-minded people represent them to be.

From the above it will be seen that the French Canadians are alive to their interests in the United States, and that they are determined to make themselves felt as a factor in the affairs of that country.

At the meeting of the "American Association for the Advancement of Science," held in this city last year, it was shown that of all the peoples inhabiting this northern continent the French Canadians stood first in "lumber" power...

In the United States, and sometimes nearer home, they have been sneered at because they are poor; but honest poverty is not a crime. If they are not at the top of the commercial ladder to-day, everybody knows it is not because of want of ability...

We are told, time and again, that they are ignorant, but the quality of ignorance more properly belongs to those who know so little as to prefer it against them.

ENFORCED DESTITUTION AND EMIGRATION IN IRELAND

When one considers a few of the facts and figures contained in the annual report of the Registrar-General for last year, it is not to be wondered at that there is destitution in unhappy Ireland.

in 1881. In round numbers 22,000 acres have been added to the total of "waste" lands, whilst 100,000 have relapsed into a state of bog and marsh.

In his report to the Government he recommends, instead of spending money on emigration, the lending of money at one per cent to a substantial company which will redeem this land and settle upon it the tenant-farmers...

It is in face of this state of affairs and with this knowledge put in their possession, both by their own accredited agents and by the bishops and press of Ireland, that the British Government has proposed and decided yesterday to exterminate the Irish on a colossal scale...

It is well for their calculators to remember that it was the French Canadians who Christianized and civilized this North American continent, and thus laid the foundations of that social and commercial prosperity for which others claim credit to-day.

TWO HUNDRED THOUSAND FOR THE CANADIAN NORTH-WEST

The British Government, actuated by a tender regard for the welfare of its Irish subjects, has at last struck upon a happy plan of remedying their grievances.