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CATHOLIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY, 17—Office of the Blessed Sacrament. FRIDAY, 18.—St. Simeon, Bishop and Martyr. SATURDAY, 19.—Office of the Immaculate Conception.

Messrs. Bernard McGuire, Clayton, Ont., P. Danihee, Malone, N. Y., James Murphy, Ennismore, Ont., and Jno. P. Sheehan, Barnaby River, N. B., have consented to act as agents for THE POST and TRUE WITNESS in their respective localities and are empowered to collect subscriptions and enroll subscribers.

According to the latest returns Toronto has a population of 77,000, a large increase on 1871. Toronto bears about the same relation to Chicago as Montreal does to New York.

D. HARKINS, M.P.P., for Prescott County, died suddenly of apoplexy in the Ontario House of Assembly on Thursday last.

The flying columns the British Government are sending through Ireland are only joking; they are not flying columns at all. The real flying columns are in South Africa, and they fly in accordance with instructions of the Commander-in-Chief, who advised them to treat the Boers tenderly.

That was a laughable answer the Irish Attorney-General gave Mr. O'Donnell in the British Parliament, when he said the so-called Fenian proclamation on the walls was a proof of a Fenian conspiracy.

It will be remembered by our readers that the Irish members obstructed the British House of Commons last year in opposing the annexation of the Transvaal.

The Supreme Court of Canada has confirmed the decision of the Court below in the matter of the Bellechasse and Charlevoix elections, and both members have been unseated.

The despatch of Mr. Egan, Treasurer of the Land League, will have the effect of allaying the anxiety of the Irish people and their friends on this continent, and of doing away with the impression caused by the ridiculous

rumors set afloat by the landlords. Mr. Parnell is not the kind of man to flinch from any danger, real or imaginary, and the Land League is too firmly established to collapse before coercion.

We are happy to find that Canada is not backward in subscribing to the Land League fund. St. John, N.B., has sent \$400 through Mr. Boyle O'Reilly, editor of the Boston Pilot, the Quebec organization is spreading in all directions, and Toronto is not idle.

REPUBLICANISM is once more holding up its head in Spain, especially in the large towns and sea-ports, such as Corunna, Ferrol, Cadiz and Cartagena, and other democratic centres. The Spanish people do not like the alliances the young King is forming with Austria and Germany, and the French form of government, always a potent factor in the affairs of the sister nation, must be taken into account.

We have received from the people of Lonsdale, Ontario, per Mr. J. McCulloch, the sum of twenty-five dollars for the Land League Fund. As we expect that we shall receive large remittances for this noble purpose from our friends in the country, and as it is necessary to have the money pass through one channel, we request that it be forwarded to this office, where it will be at order of the Treasurer of the Montreal Branch whenever he shall choose to call upon it.

We don't know whether the men at the other side of the cable are amused at the contradictory reports they are obliged to send, but we at this side certainly are. They tell us, for instance, that the Land League has utterly collapsed, that the weekly receipts are falling off and that some of the farmers are beginning to pay their rents.

It is remarkable that out of all the Judges in Montreal, and we believe there are ten, not one is of Irish nationality. It does not follow from this that justice is not dealt out just as impartially as if there were Irishmen on the Bench, but, nevertheless, it is singular.

We have sent out accounts to the subscribers of THE POST and TRUE WITNESS, enclosed in their papers, which will show them the amount of their indebtedness. They will learn from the yellow label on the outside the period they are charged for, and by comparing the account with the label they will see that it is correct or otherwise.

Irish members of Parliament as our European correspondent, who will also cable us the Irish view of the great question if anything of importance happens, so that we shall not be altogether 'at the mercy of the English Associated Press, which is often unreliable and always one-sided. We are doing our duty and now let our friends and well-wishers do theirs.

THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

The Foreign Committee of the American Senate have adopted the report of their Subcommittee upon the Crapeau resolutions relative to the Inter-Oceanic Canal, and in doing so have re-affirmed the principles of the Monroe doctrine, which, as they have fallen out of the memory of a good many since Brother Jonathan has grown so powerful, and therefore so moderate, may be of some interest.

THE SCARE IN ENGLAND. The English papers are in a state of excitement over the movements of Parnell. The successive defeats of their army in South Africa have made them savage, and as they find themselves unable to conquer the Boers they would much like to conquer some discontented people more accessible.

IRELAND AND THE UNITED STATES.

The speech of Mr. Dillon, delivered on Wednesday at Manchester down deep in the very heart of England, has a peculiar significance at this present moment, and gives us an indication of what is passing in the minds of the Irish people.

representatives, also the votes of sympathy passed by many of the State Legislatures, and we can come to no other conclusion than that if Mr. Parnell appears once more before the American Congress and requests the admission of Ireland as a State in the American Union his request will receive serious consideration.

round the doings of the Government, which has thrown itself into their arms, and to blind the people to the loss of their liberties by the same Government. They will open their eyes when it is too late; they are beginning to open them already.

THE SENATE AND THE PACIFIC R. R. When the House of Commons voted on the Pacific Railroad resolutions of the Government, we expressed some surprise that the majority were all Conservatives, and the minority all Liberals.

EDITORIAL NOTES. A meeting of Irish Societies was held in New York on Friday, when it was resolved to invite Mr. Parnell to come to America and address the Irish convention on St. Patrick's Day.

There are half a million people in New York city who seldom or never enter a church, and those, according to the Rev. Mr. Bellows, are not the degraded or ignorant part of the population.

The cable this morning brings military intelligence from Ireland which, if it were not grotesque, would be alarming. The Coercion Act is to be put in force immediately, and the flying columns started through the country.

The London Universe says: "The coercion debates contained no sadder chapter than when they told us of a man who was great sinking into being an advocate of tyranny and the vilest despotism. Nothing can excuse Mr. Bright. He (when not receiving Government pay) denounced coercion. Now (oh, what money does!) he supports it. Et tu, Bright!"

EASTERN TOWNSHIP BALL.—The Eastern Townships Ball, which took place in the large hall of Potter's Hotel, Sweetsburg, on Thursday evening last, was largely attended, and passed off very successfully.

VANLIERE HILL, Feb. 12.—The remains of the late Wm. Harkins, M.D., M.P.P., member for Prescott, who died in the House of Assembly, Toronto, has arrived home tonight. Quite a large number of friends went to the cars for his remains, among whom were Messrs. Mode, Kelly, McDonald, McGreevy and McDonald, all of whom were his personal friends and supporters.