

## THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH.

Holy Church! Catholic! Joy of the earth,  
In whom the nations have had a birth:  
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All the wide Empire under the sun!  
All believers, afar and near,  
Who adore in spirit and truth sincere!  
Glory and praise, O bride of the Lord,  
To thee the hours of glory accord!

What though the sons of darkness rebel,  
Grating against the gates of Hell;  
What though kings and princes unite  
All their wisdom and all their might,  
Leaguing together to work their will;  
Casting to naught the power of God;  
Centred in Peter, still shall thou see  
An end of all who rise against thee!

O happy Kingdom, forever to last!  
O sweet shelter from misery's blast!  
Offering to souls however distressed,  
Evermore, a refuge and rest!  
Always to all the human race  
A pillar of truth and fountain of grace!  
Triumph of Jesus! bought with His blood!  
Thou hast the promises of our God.

In thee I trust and wholly believe;  
Thy words are life, which cannot deceive,  
Thou, whom Jesus loveth so well,  
Deeper I love than words can tell!  
Thou, whom the world hateth so sore,  
For that very hatred I love thee more!  
Thou in thy sufferings, thou in thy shame,  
I praise, exult in, and honour the same,  
As though already I saw thee array'd  
In the bright glory never to fade,  
Protestantism there the worlds were made.

FATHER EDWARD CASWELL.

## AFTER WEARY YEARS.

By Most Rev. CORNELIUS O'BRIEN, D.D., Archbishop of Halifax.

CHAPTER XXX.  
There are blots here and there, but the good sense of the people shall yet prevail, and they will hasten to wipe them out.

The love of religion which sent three hundred of Canada's sons to fight for the cause of the Pope still lives in the hearts of our Catholic countrymen. Over this fair Dominion the Pope "lath and ought to have," and ever will have, spiritual jurisdiction—insulting oaths of office to the contrary notwithstanding.

Eight years have come and gone since Mrs. Barton recovered her long-lost son. The evening of her days is drawing to a peaceful close, and soon she will rest from her life's labors. Her old friend, Mrs. Leahy, has long since been dead.

Eleanor has been a wife for more than seven years. Have they been years of unalloyed happiness? Who so foolish as to believe us if we said yes? Surely none; unless, indeed, the young girl dreaming her first dream of love.

A fair share of felicity has been Eleanor's, but she has known care. No state or condition of life is exempt from tribulation. The wild romancing about the bliss of two hearts united in the holy bonds of matrimony is only heard of in the cheap novel. No one can ever be perfectly happy in this world; but the one who, having been called by God to a life of celibacy, is a virgin in body and mind, enjoys the nearest approach to perfect felicity. The average novelist knows nothing of this; it is beyond his or her comprehension. Money and marriage are their sources of happiness.

Yes, Eleanor has had a large share of domestic bliss. Her sphere of usefulness was larger now than formerly; her virtues had increased, she was serenely tranquil.

The report of a gun is occasionally heard in the groves along the river. Peppé it is who is the sportsman. He is still as gay as ever. His theory about girls, as explained to Lorenzo, is verified in a wonderful degree in his own case. The women dote on him, but he is indifferent to them all. Did we say all? Ah, one little exception there is: but, as it is to prove the correctness of his views, she appears indifferent to him. However, one so full of resources as Peppé is likely to succeed. He is following the example of his uncle, and in a few months there may be a quiet wedding.

Eight years have passed, and Canada's ablest Governor-General has come and gone. The ability, tact, and courtesy of Lord Dufferin have endeared his name to the citizens of the Dominion. Apart from the mere routine of his office he exercised a powerful influence. Our national character had no definite bent previous to his arrival; he grasped it with a firm, though gentle hand, and cast it in a broad and generous mould.

It is the December of 1878. A fleecy carpet is spread over the banks of the St. Lawrence, and feathered fringe adorns every bough. Morgan Leahy, now a priest, and Lorenzo are walking along the river's bank.

"So, Morgan, you intend returning to your dear half-breeds in Winnipeg?" said Lorenzo.

"Yes, I will go to them as soon as possible."

"You were in Montreal at the time of the arrival of the Marquis of Lorne. What did you think of his reception?"

"Oh, as usual on such occasions, the sensible portion of the community was respectful and quiet; the thoughtless and nonentities noisy in their demonstrative loyalty. It showed poetry and rained prose. It was pleasing, however, to find that the true women of Canada knew how to treat the ridiculous notice about court-dresses. Who could have been the author of that huge absurdity?"

"Peppé thinks," said Lorenzo, "that it must have been suggested by one related to the Russian Emperor, if so closely resembles a ukase."

"Not a bad suggestion," laughed Morgan.

"I used to think," said Lorenzo, "that it was a weakness peculiar to the Irish to go crazy over a countryman, but here are the Scotch rushing wildly along, with their bagpipes in rest, ready to overflow this fair country with a flood of screeching music. I do hope that our next Governor-General may be an Afghan or Ghooika. We would then be freed from this national nuisance."

"Do you remember, Lorenzo, when I used to speak about our Dominion in Rome, you thought my praises extravagant. What is your opinion now?"

"You were right. Our Dominion is destined to be a mighty nation. But one spot above all others claims my love. It is Prince Edward Island. Its soil is so fruitful, its climate in summer so healthy. The quiet beauty of its small bay is unsurpassed. Its sons are talented and brave, its daughters beautiful and virtuous, its merchants enterprising and honorable. It is the gem of the Dominion."

"That is praise indeed."

"But fully merited."

They turned away, and turn now we must from these historic sketches. We

echo Lorenzo's praise of Prince Edward Island. We love the great Dominion as a whole, but we fondly cherish the dear little island of the gulf.

THE END.

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## RELIGIOUS NEWS.

Rev. A. T. Ennis, of Lawrence, Kans., has gone to Rome, which city he will make his future home.

A Catholic society called the "Catholic Union" is being started in Italy for the defense and protection of Catholic interests.

The people of Genoa are about to place a commemorative marble tablet on the house in their city in which O'Connell died.

In Chicago a number of Catholic ladies have started a nursery for the care and instruction, during the daytime, of neglected children.

The Emperor William has conferred the order of the Red Eagle on the Most Rev. Dr. Krenmentz, Archbishop of Cologne, who celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination as priest on Saturday, July 27.

Father Forbes-Leith, S.J., whose remarks upon the morale of the French army caused his expulsion from France some time ago, has received permission to return to Paris.

His Holiness has issued an Encyclical on the festival of the Rosary, in which he confirms the indulgences previously accorded, and asks for prayers on the occasion of his Episcopal Jubilee.

The new Catholic College at Sligo, Ireland, was solemnly blessed by Right Rev. Dr. Gillooly, Bishop of Elphin, on Sunday, September 3.

Bishop Harkins, of Providence, R. I., has given ground to the city of Newport, R. I., upon which will be erected a hospital for cholera patients in case the pestilential scourge should visit this country.

The Holy Father has sent a letter to the Bishop of Sion (Sitten) in Switzerland concerning the Catholic University of Fribourg, which he declares to be an ornament to the country, seeing that true science, which is in harmony with religion, is cultivated there. His Holiness specially encourages the study of theology.

The Italian Government, conformably to the proposal of the Royal Commissioner, Colucci, has decreed the dismissal of the brothers serving the asylum for insane at Manicomio, charging them to get out of the place bag and baggage as quickly as possible. Italy thinks it can make itself by—secularization!

Catholics have noticed with considerable satisfaction that two of the foremost members of Mr. Gladstone's new Cabinet are of our faith. These are Sir Charles Russell and the Marquis of Ripon, Secretary of State for the Colonies. The conversion to Catholicity of Lord Ripon caused a great deal of comment, from the fact that he was Grand Master of the Freemasons of Great Britain.

Pope Leo is to have a yacht presented to him by subscription on the part of wealthy Catholics in England, Spain, and Italy. Pope Pio Nono, the predecessor of His Holiness, had a yacht given him by the Empress Eugenie, but it was sold by the direction of Pope Leo XIII., as unsuitable, being an armed large-rigged screw corvette.

Sister Gonzaga, who is in charge of the pharmacy of the hospitals of Chambery, has been presented with a silver medal of the first class for her zeal, intelligence, and activity. In acknowledging the compliment the pious lady modestly, but in a clear firm voice, that as she had spent fifty years of her life tending the sick she could not do better than devote the remainder of her days to the same work and await God's call.

Among recent notable receptions at the Vatican were those of the Duchess of Montpensier (to whom the honors due to her rank were rendered), the Most Reverend Father Luigi Maria Ferrari, Superior-General of the Regular Barnabites; Mgr. Benardine Cakkiallo, Bishop of Grosseto; the Rev. Father Dionisius, of St. Teresa, Vicar-General of the Carmelites; and the Rev. Father d'Aquino, Preposit General of the Pii Opera.

There is a Catholic military association in the Dutch army, which has just held a festival at Breda, when 250 soldiers approached the Holy Table. The local Bishop, Mgr. Leyton, was present, and the Capuchin, Father Nathalis, preached a sermon on the text, "Fear God, respect the King." A diploma of honour was presented to thirty of the most exemplary of the soldiers. The military authorities and sundry high civilian personages assisted at this pleasant reunion in a Protestant land.

As they cannot put down the homage to Our Lady of Lourdes in any other way, the hysterical Republicans of France have hit upon the device of charging a custom's duty at the entrance of the gates of Life and sundry other towns of the north on the water from the grotto. This liquid is neither alkaline, ferruginous nor sulphurous, but pure from the source. The next attempt of these unhappy bigots, we take it, will be to impose a tax on the holy water in the baptismal fonts. What would be thought of British rulers who would put a duty on the waters of the Jordan sometimes imported for the baptism of members of the royal family?

The Primate of Hungary has published a pastoral against the attacks to which the Church is subjected. He does not fear for the Church, he writes, which is built on a rock, but he has his anxieties for the Magyar nation. If Catholics spoke of their enemies as their enemies of the nation would be compromised. The one of this letter has created profound emotion. It is understood that Mgr. Vaszary will complain to the Emperor, who is very much annoyed, as it was his letter of congratulation to His Grace which was made the peg for the venomous attacks on the Church and the hierarchy.

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## SAINTS OF THE MONTH.

[By the Editor of the Catholic School and Home Magazine.]

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, C., October 4, 1182-1226.—St. Francis was born at Assisi, in Italy, 1182, and was inspired in early life with a great love of holy poverty. For the love of Christ, who was poor, he gave up everything, even appearing in garments that caused him to be scorned by the people. He soon attracted many others to his life and a Religious Order was formed which was approved by Pope Innocent III. He visited the East, in the vain hope of being put to death for the faith, but returned to give his life to prayer and preaching. During one of his contemplations in the desert, he received on his hands, feet and side, the print of the five wounds of Jesus Christ. This is called the stigmata. He died October 4, 1226.

ST. BRUNO, C., October 6, 1030-1101.—St. Bruno was born in 1030, at Cologne, and became the founder of a Great Order called the Carthusians, which is said to be the only order that never needed reform. He had great talent which was developed at school in Paris, and which afterwards appeared in the direction of the study of Theology at Rheims. He with some friends resolved to lead a life of penance and prayer, and for this purpose they retired into the solitude of the Chartreuse whence his Order was to take its name. He was recalled to Rome by Urban II., who had been his pupil at Rheims, for his guidance; but he soon withdrew to the Monastery at Calabria, where he died in 1101.

ST. TARSISUS, BOY MARTYR, October 7.—This noble hearted boy was put to death for religion, during the persecution of Valerian and Gallienus in the middle of the third century. During those days, the Blessed Sacrament was often carried to the Martyrs, by the pious laity. Tarsisus was performing this sacred duty one day when a pagan mob demanded to see what he was carrying. He refused and was beaten to death, but when his persecutors searched the body, they could find no vestige of the Blessed Sacrament which God had wonderfully preserved from outrage. This brave boy chose rather to die than to allow the Body of Christ to be profaned by the Pagans.

ST. TERESA, V., October 15, 1515-1583.—This great saint and Reformer of the Barefooted Carmelites was born in Avila in Spain, in 1515, just at the time that Luther was beginning his Reformation. Her great taste for reading the lives of the saints led her into holiness and she and her favorite brother Roderick desired and made an attempt to go to the Moors so as to become martyrs. Her mother died when she was but twelve years of age and then she consecrated herself to the Blessed Virgin. Worshipping thoughts came to interfere with her piety, through idle books and vain company, and it was not until after a severe illness in 1533, that she determined to give herself to God in religion. Despite her father's will, she entered the Carmelites, though he afterwards approved of her choice, and she soon became a martyr to mental and physical suffering and advanced rapidly in holiness. Her great work was to bring the Monasteries to a stricter life. She died in 1583.

B. MARGARET MARY ALMOQUE, V., October 17, 1647-1690.—This great Apostle of the Sacred Heart, was born in Burgundy, July 22, 1647, and was remarkable in her tenderest years, for her great sanctity, giving her food to the poor and practising great austerities. June 20, 1671, she entered the Order of the Visitation at Paray-le-Monial, and November 6, 1672, made her profession. She not only suffered intense bodily pain, but her soul was grievously tried by temptation while her associates looked upon her with suspicion and distrust. Her years of suffering were rewarded by the Great Manifestations of the Sacred Heart, and she was commissioned by the Sacred Heart to preach the devotion and establish the Feast. The first vision of the Sacred Heart occurred December 27, 1673, the second in the summer of 1674, the third in June, 1675. She died October 17, 1690, young in years, but old in the sanctity which the loving Heart of our Saviour generously bestowed upon her. She was beatified by Pius IX. in 1864. Steps have been taken for her canonization and we hope soon to have the Apostle of the Sacred Heart glorified with the title of Saint.

ST. LUKE, Ap. and Ev., October 18.—St. Luke a physician of Antioch, and a painter, was converted by St. Paul and became his disciple and was his faithful companion to the end. He wrote the Gospel which bears his name and also the Acts of the Apostles, bringing the history of the Church down to the first imprisonment of St. Paul at Rome. He died for the faith in Achaia, and it is generally believed that he was crucified. He is said to have painted many pictures of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the most famous of which is in a chapel of the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome.

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