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LONDON, SATURDAY, SEPT. 18, 1886. CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER.

CONSECRATED TO THE DOLORS OF MARY.

17 Stigmata of St. Francis of Assist. Ember 18 St. Joseph of Cupertino, Conf. Ember Day. Fast. 19 14th Sun. 2002. 19 14th Sun. after Pen. Feast of the seven dolors of the B. V. M.
20 Vigil of St. Matthew. SS. Eustachius and Comp., MM. Comp., M.M.
21 St., Matthew. Apostle and Evangelist.
22 St. Thomas of Villanovs, Bp. and Cr. SS.
Maurice and Comp., M.M.
23 St. Linus, P. and M. St. Thecla, V. and

M.

24 Onr Lady of Ransom.

25 Off. of Im. Con. St. Cleophas, Disciple.

26 15th Sun. after Pen. St. Cyprian and Justina, MM.

27 St. Commsend Damian, MM.

28 St. Wenceslaus, King and Martyr.

29 St. Michael, Archangel.

30 St. Jerome, Conf. and Doc. of the Ch.

THE SUPREME COUNCIL.

Just as we go to press the Supreme Council of the C. M. B. A. is in session The Council has taken the Forest City by storm. On all sides the same remark is heard, that London has never had within its bounds a more intelligent, respectable, and gentlemanly body sitting in convention. The Supreme Council has important duties to discharge, grave questions to consider, but its members are fully equal to the importance and demands of the occasion. They bring not only intelligence and experience to the Council Board, but are guided by that Catholic honesty of purpose which is 'their association's mainstay. Few, indeed, outside the association can form any adequate idea of the solid good done by the C. M. B. A. Supreme Recorder Hickey reports the present membership in good standing as 13.191, the average age being on Sept. 1st last 39 years. During the two years ending Sept. 4th the total beneficiary fund transferred to the Supreme Treasurer was \$404,-841 07, while during the same period the beneficiary fund disbursements reached the enormous figure of \$406,-348 50, of which \$58,000 came to Canade. Besides the grand councils of New York, Pennsylvania, Michigan, Canada and Ohio, there are branches in Kansas, Illinois, Colorado, Kentucky and West Virginia. The Association is in a most flourishing condition and bids fair to work with permanent success in the cause of that charity which hopeth all things, believeth all things, and endureth all things, that charity of which Burke wrote when he said : "No sound ought to be heard in the church but the healing voice of Christian charity," that sweet virtue to which Horace Mann pays tribute when he writes: "To pity distress is but human; to relieve it is God like," that charity, in fine, of which, under mercy's tender name, the greatest of English poets writes the praise :

The quality of mercy is not strain'd, It droppeth as the genule rain from heaven Upon the place beneath; it is twice bless'd. It blesseth him that gives, and him that taken 'Tis mightiest in the mightiest; it becomes
The throned monarch better than his crown
His sceptre shows the force of tempora power,
The attribute to awe and majesty.
Wherein doth sit the dread and fear

kings, it mercy is above this sceptred sway, 's enthroned in the hearts of kings: Is an attribute to God himsell; de earthly power doth then snow likest When mercy seasons justice.

We again bid the members of the Supreme Council a thousand welcomes to this city. We hope that it may be often London's pleasure and privilege to welcome to its midst a body so honorable, so respectable and so much respected. A full report of the proceedings of the Supreme Council will appear in the next issue of the CATHOLIC RECORD.

IMPOSING CEREMONY AT SIMCOE.

Sunday, the 19th inst., will be a red letter day in the ecclesiastical history of of Norfolk. On that day will take place the service of God, of the beautiful new letter: church, whose corner stone was laid early in June last by the Bishop of London. His Lordship will again preside at the ceremony on Sunday next, assisted by several well known priests of his diocese.

the elite of Simcoe's intelligence. In the evening at 7 o'clock the pulpit will be occupied by that distinguished divine, the Rev. Dr. Kilroy, of Stratford. Father Dillon, and his worthy assistant, Father McGrath, are deserving of every commendation for their efforts in securing the early completion of this fine new church. They are laboring zealously for the cause of religion in a vast tract of country where Catholics are few and far between. That they are, however, under great difficulties, meeting with decided success, the church in Simcoe is clearest evidence. We hope and pray that Sunday's ceremony will be fruitful of many blessings to the people of that town and of the whole parish of which it forms

NOT DEAD BUT LIVING.

The list of subscriptions to the Irish Parliamentary Fund in the parish of Mount Carmel, elsewhere published, reflects the very highest credit on the priests and people of the united missions wherein so large a sum was raised. It is our pleasure also to note that the New York World testimonial to the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone is meeting with hearty support. Among the contributions we see the name of Mr. F. W. Glen. a respected and prominent Canadian gentleman and legislator, who enclosed his mite, in the following noble letter: To the Editor of the World :

Please permit a non resident of this country, although a native of this State, to express an opinion respecting your Gladstone testimonial. The citizens of the United States cannot fail to see that Home Rule for Ireland, which the English parliament will certainly grant at an lish parliament will certainly grant at an early day, means the adoption sooner or later by the greatest commercial, military and naval power in the world of the American or Federal system of government. Therefore any act of the American people which expresses admiration for or confidence in Mr. Gladstone gives him additional rower to advance the him additional power to advance A million dollars from a million citizens of the United States would be a fitting tribute to Mr. Gladstone's great abilities as well as his devotion to Liberal principles. The greatest among the living will certainly use it in such a manner as will heat promote the cause of human will best promote the cause of human freedom throughout the earth. Please add the inclosed amount (\$2) to the fund. I would gladly give more, but the universality of the expression of confidence and approval is of greater importance than the commercial value

FRANCS WAYLAND GLEN. Hotel St. George, Brooklyn, Aug. 14. While such sentiments prevail in Canada and among Canadians, Messrs, Kane and Smith, the Orange delegates from Ulster, are likely to find it very cold in this far northern region. Men of every class, rank, condition and party are in this country solid for Gladstone and Home Rule.

OUR POSITION

The RECORD will, next month, enter on the ninth year of its existence. Locking back over the eight years of our journalistic life, we have, indeed, ample reason to feel gratified with the success that has attended our efforts to conduct and maintain this journal as an independent organ of Catholic public opinion. The RECORD from its very inception never sought to make, and neger made, any alliance what soever, with any political party or fraction of a party. Keeping itself carefully aloof from all compromising positions and entangling alliances, it has felt free to discuss, and fearlessly it has discussed, measures, propositions and policies, from the high ground of Catholic morality-please or ffend whom it might. The independent Catholic journalist cannot think of pleasing, or even endeavoring to please, everyody. The thought were idle, the at. tempt were the sheerest folly. The professional politician, looking at the grave questions that occupy the national mind from the standpoint of mere selfishness or narrow partisanship, is ready to applaud the honest Catholic journalist whenever the latter happens to egree with his view, but also prepared to condemn him unmercifully, or baselessly attribute to him motives like unto his own, when that journalist, in the discharge of duty, finds himself bound to condemn his opinions and denounce his policy. It is our satisfaction to have met with condemnation for outspoken devotion to Catholic principle from the professional politicians attached to loth of our Canadian parties. But if we have had their condemnation, it has been our heartfelt gratification to meet with the earnest ommendation and unceasing support of the Catholics who place religion before Simcoe, the flourishing county town party and country before self. Two years ago His Lordship the Bishop of the solemn blessing and dedication to Lordon favored us with the following

It gives us great pleasure to renew our approval of the CATHOLIC RECORD, of this approval of the CATHOLIC RECORD, of this city, and to recommend it most earnestly to the favor and patronage of the clergy and laity of the diocese. The publication of the RECORD was undertaken some years The Bishop will also preach the sermon of the day. Needless to say that His Lordship's power of speech, which attracted so large a concourse and elicited such high eulogiums last June, will again on the 19th bring together. The Record was undertaken some years ago to supply a want long felt amongst the English spesking Catholics of Canada, namely, that of a Catholic journal that would be altogether independent of party politics and that would have for otject the defence and promotion of Catholic interests. The Record was undertaken some years ago to supply a want long felt amongst the English spesking Catholics of Canada, would be altogether independent of party politics and that would have for otject the defence and promotion of Catholic interests.

the six years of its existence, has striven carpes in years of its existence, has striven earnessly to carry out the purpose and objects for which it was originated, and has been edited with judgment, zeal and ability. The result is that it has won the confidence of the Catholic public to an unusual degree, and that it counts its readers and supporters from the remote fishing villages of Newfoundland to the remoter regions of the far North-west. haning villages of Newfoundiand to the remoter regions of the far North-west. It is our earnest desire that the RECORD should be a weekly visitor to every English speaking family in this diocese.

† John Walsh,
Bishop of London.

its spirit we desire to proclaim unwaverng adhesion. The RECORD will in the future be, as it has been in the past, first and solely a Catholic journal, that has no alliance or connection with, and owes no allegiance to any political party. More stringently than ever, in view of the approach of general elections for the Local and Dominion Houses, will we adhere to our independent course. Resolutions of a partisan character have been sent us for publication, letters making appeals more or less openly to party feeling addressed to this office, that cannot and will not find place in our columns. If we are not and cannot be made the instrument of the leaders of political partier, neither shall we be the agents of the " machine mer - whose God is party. As we have never in the past failed or feared to discues from the Catholic standpoint public measures bearing on Catholic interests, neither shall we in this regard be in the future found timid or wanting. But our action in all such circumstances will be followed solely from the conscientious purpose of doing service to religion and to country, without collusion, connection or alliance with party leaders or party cllowers. On these grounds we sppeal to the Catholics of Canada for renewed and continued support. Upon this support we depend, upon their confidence we reckon and rely in our efforts to bear aloft the standard of our faith, with its glorious motto : Christianus mihi nomen st, Catholicus vero cognomen.

THE CHURCH OF THE POOR.

Many non Catholics blessed with arge share of this world's goods set us an example of self-sacrifice-too rarely mitated by Catholics similary favoured. The great works of Catholic faith, the Courches, Colleges, Orphanages and the like, are not the fruit of the rich man's generosity or self-denial, but the proluct of the faith that liveth by good works among the poor. Our noblest edifices of religion have been raised, and the most beneficient institutions of charity and learning are to day maintained by the mite of the poor. This fact, however, does not excuse the rich from their manifest dereliction of duty. At the Methodist conference, lately held in Toronto, there was a long debate on the subject of university federa. tion, involving the removal of the Methodist Victoria College from Cobourg to Toronto. During that debate many munificent offers were made in support

of the college : "In the course of the debate which preceded the voic, it was," says the Hamilton Times, "mentioned that certain wealthy Methodists were prepared to subscribe large sums of money College, some of the subscriptions being Memorial Church will soon be ready for coupled with conditions and others unconditional. Mr. John Macdonald, of Toronto, would give \$25,000; Mr. Wm. Gooderham, of Toronto, \$30,000; Mr. George A. Cax, Peterborough, \$30,000; Mr. W. E. Sanford, of Hamilton, \$50,000. Mr. Sanford's proposition hinged on the bringing of the college to Hamilton and the raising of enough money to make \$450,000 exclusive of his \$50,000."

The Times tells us further, that Hamil ton was prepared to make great sacrifices to obtain the establishment of the college there. One gentleman was, it informs us, ready to give twenty five acres of most valuable land for the site of the institution, while others were eager to endow the college with rich

noney gifts : "As for ways and means, it is known. adds the Times, "that one wealthy Hamilton Methodist proposed to give as large a donation as Mr. Sanford, and other a donation as Mr. Sanford, and other citizens, many of whom do not belong to the MethodistChurch, were ready to come down handsomely. Without a doubt, \$200,000 of the required \$500,000 could be easily raised in Hamilton, and as the years rolled on and Hamilton University rivalled or excelled Toronto University in its achievements, now building. n its achievements, new buildings would oe added and new chairs would be en dowed by the subscriptions or bequests

of Hamilton citizens." The Catholic church counts not in this Province many rich men, but it does reckon amongst its members many men lessed with no small share of worldly Catholic church, being the pillar and work, unknown in any land but bleeding ground of truth, the refuge of the poor and suffering Ireland? It is all well of Christ, can afford to treat with indif- enough to cry peace, peace; but there is ference the ill-natured querulousness not, nor can there be peace, while the and survive the niggardliness of these men, by a sad misnomer sometimes outraged by the tyranny of rapacious called leading Catholics. But how much and heartless landlords. Ireland must good might not these men be to their have peace with honor or she will have fellow beings-how much help they none.

might not give to Holy Church were they really sincere in their professions. The can lay down rules with great ease for Bishops and priests, but what do they themselves do to fulfil their duty of charity to fellow Christians and to fellowmen? How strange to them the noble sentiment so touchingly expressed by

God loves from whole to parts: but human Must rise from individual to the whole. Belf-love but serves the virtuous mind to This letter His Lordship renews, and to

Belf-love but serves the virtuous and lake, wake, wake, pebbles stir the peaceful lake, The centre mov'd, a circle straignt succeeds, Another still, and still another spreads; Friend, parent, neighbour, first it will em brace; His country next; and next all human race; Wide and more wide: the o'erflowings of Take every creature in of every kind: Earth smiles around, with boundless beauty

And heaven beholds its image in his breast. THE CEREMONY AT PENETAN-

GUISHENE. The ceremony at Penetanguishene, on the 5th inst., was one of the most signi ficant incidents in the eventful life of the Catholic church in Ontario. The Catho lic church had here in this-sometimes called Protestant-Province, churches and religious establishments while Protestantism still clung for life and death to the barren rock of Plymouth, the uninviting shores of New England and the savage wildernesses of Virginia. The Catholic church, as in the days of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul, here began her career by winning for her worthiest sons the glorious crowns of martyrdom. And to day of Brebenf and Lallemant may justly be predicated, as it has been and ever will, while time endures of Peter and Paul, "In omnem terram exivit sonus erum et in fines orbis terrae verba erum." The blood of martyrs has here proved the very seed of a fruitful Christianity. Through many trials and countless vicissitudes has Holy Church in Upper Canada passed. The redman has passed away. The French pioneers of civilization have been in large measure succeeded by brave Scotch and Irish Catholics-children of hardy and faith. ful races, inured to persecution for Christ's sake, and none the less devoted because of the duration and intensity of that persecution. The three great races -the Irish, French and Scotch-whose sons to-day form the strength and the hope of Catholicity in this Enpire Province of the Canadian Dominion, were all represented at the ceremony on Sunday, Sept 5th. The Church of Upper Canada was there represented by its illustrious, venerated and saintly metropolitan, whose hope that he may be spared to consecrate the Memorial Church of the Martyrs, every Catholic in the Province will re echo, and the state by the highest constitutional dignitary in the Province, the Hon, John Beverley Robinson, Lieut.-Governor of Oatario, There was also present the Right Rev.

> assecration to the service of God. A HUMANE SOLDIERY.

Mgr. O'Bryen, Papal ablegate on the occa-

sion of the investiture of Cardinal Tasch.

ereau with the red beretta, besides

leading clergymen and eminent lay-

men, Catholic and non Catholic. We

trust that Father Laboureau may, by

generous assistance given him, be

enabled to vigorously prosecute the

work he has on hand, and that the

With genuine pleasure was the despatch from Dublin of the 9th, read on this side of the ocean, conveying intelligence that "the troops engaged in the Wood ford evictions on their return to the barracks at Birr protested against the work of forcibly putting helpless, infirm and starving people out of shelter into the roadway, and declared they would in future refuse to perform such obnoxious duty. No effort on the part of their superior officers could quiet the determined indignation of the soldiers. Twenty of them were placed under arrest

on the charge of mutiny.' All honor to these good men and true, It is simply barbarous to put soldiers trained and bound to honorable warfare at the savage work of eviction. It demeans the man and unmans the soldier. True soldiers have the brave men at Birr shown themselves by this dignified, manly, Christian protest against this foul practice. It is, indeed, an evil omen for the endurance of British institutions when British troops are made the instruments of landlord barbarism the chosen agents of a heartless aristo cracy in the horrid work of casting on the roadside the aged, the bed-ridden and good fortune, that have made no sacri- the dying, the body guard of the mini ice in the interests of its institutions. one of unjust laws, whereby the huts of Among these are many who grumble the poor are unroofed or levelled with against Catholic schools, and marvel why the ground. No wonder that brave men pisbops and priests don't do this or that feel indignant at the infamy thus put on or something else-why they don't take them. Will the government continue to a leaf out of the book of our Anglican, keep its soldiers in degradation by forc-Presbyterian or Methodist friends. The ing them to do this odious and inhuman

commonest instincts of humanity are

ANGLICAN MISREPRESENTATION.

Misrepresentation of the Catholic Church is not restricted to Presbyterians or Methodists or Baptists, Our Anglican friends, who are so anxious to be considered broad-minded and generous, and who, in places where Catholics are in a minority, affect to take them under their patronage, are very often open to the same charge. At the Anglian synod in Montreal on the 9th, Rev. Mr. Ford, of Woodbridge, Ont., moved "That this House would welcome legislation securing to the members of the Church of England throughout the Dominion the privilege of having their own schools on the principle of local option, supported by their own school rates, and receiving due assistance from the public tunds when other schools are so assisted, under regulations that would secure a degree of efficiency in secular subjects at least equal to that of the other Public Schools. That the House of Bishops be requested to concur in this resolution, and that the Mos Rev. the President and the Rev. the Prolocutor of the House be requested to appoint a committee to ascertain the

regular meeting of the Synod." With this motion in itself we find no fault. If our Auglican friends want separate schools they ought to have them, but in seeking for this object they must not misrepresent the Catholic Church. Dur. ing the discussion on Mr. Ford's motion several delegates, with more or less deliberation, misstated the position of the Church in Ontario in the matter of schools. For instance the

eelings of the Governments of the differ-

ent provinces, obtain other information

on the subject, suggest a scheme or

course of action, and report at the next

Rev. W. P. Carey (Kingston) said that an invidious distinction had been made in Ontario in educational matters in favor of the Church of Rome, and he might not dwell on the necessity of wiswing the matter from that standpoint.
He advocated the necessity of the
Church taking some stand on the educa-

Rev. Dr. Carry, of Port Perry, Ont., said the Government of Ontario was forced by political exigencies, unwilling

as they were, to concede the right of religious instruction in public schools. Mr. George Elliott (Guelph) com-plained of the Bible lessons recently issued by the Government Educational Department in Ontario. He did no know who prepared the book. A Clerical Delegate-Archbishop

Lynch. (Laughter).
Mr. Elliott said the Roman Catholics, with only one quarter the population had obtained concessions which Protestants could not get in Ontario.

Here we have at least three palpable falsehoods on the subject of Catholic education in Ontario : (1) that an invidious distinction has been made in favor of Catholies in this Province in the matter of education; (2) that the Bible lessons were framed in Catholic interests; (3) that the Catholics had obtained concessions refused to Protestants. What are the facts? The Catholics of Ontario are not only not treated with favor, but suffer many most grievous injustices and are subject to many scandalous inequalities in the matter of education. The Bible lessons were the result of Protestant agitation and are in their present form most unacceptable and even odious to Catholics. While Catholics have been again and again refused just demands, non-Catholics have never failed to bring sufficient pressure to bear on the government to ecure the concession of their claims in natters educational. Will it be ever so? It will as long as Catholics tamely submit to injustice, indignity and inequality. That, however, may not be

THE LAND IN SCOTLAND.

The Duke of Argyle, who took such strong ground in opposition to the Glad. stonian Home Rule Bill, has of late proven one of the most heartless of Scottish landowners. He well knows that reform in Ireland must be, at least closely, followed by reform as radical in Scotland. His sympathy with the Irish landlord is easily understood. The Glasgow correspondent of the Dublin Freeman's Journal tells us of his unfortunate tenants, the crofters of Tiree.

"Still quiescent are the crofters Tiree. They seem to be waiting anxiously for the trial of six of their number who were lately arrested, and will be dealt with by the law authorities at Inverary next week. A little momentary stir was created on the island last Mon-day by the appearance there of Mr. D. H. Macfarlane, ex M. P. for Argyllshire, who for a few minutes landed from his yacht, with which he is cruising about the Highlands. He was called upon to make a speech, and in the course of a few words spoken on the shore, Mr. Mac-farlane said he thought the marines and police on the island, judging from what occured previously in Skye, would side with the people rather than with the Duke of Argyll. Referring to the recent election in the county of Argyll (at which longer their member the policemen arrived in Tiree. If the authorities had sent the police a week before the polling day he believed he would now have been member for Argyllshire. But the expedition was cunningly delayed until it was too late for the people to remedy what had been done."

Of the Isle of Skye he speaks in more

hopeful terms:

hopeful terms:

"Matters are not so quiet in Skye as in Tiree. Indeed it looks as if Skye would once again come to the front as the island on which will be bestowed the full and unlimited patronage of bailift-protecting police and marines. On Monday it was intended to scatter a shower of writs over the Island of Mists (as Skye is termed); but a telegram was despatched to the bailiff, just as he was to set out on his journey, telling him to hold back until the settlement of some matters between estate officials and the sheriff. It is to be hoped the writs will be abandoned altogether. No less than 500 were to have been served—some on Lord M'Donald's and some on Major Fraser's estate. The Skye men are of Fraser's estate. The Skye men are of tougher material than the crofters of Tiree, and if an attempt is made to serve the writs all the troopships, mariner, and police in the latter place will be required in Skye."

Landlordism in Scotland is of the same material as that of Ireland-inhuman, heartless, exclusive. By force only and by determination it must be met, and by these means only may and must be overcome. The Scottish tenants deserve and will have the support, moral and material, of all good men the world over. What a monstrous misnomer to call Argyle a Liberal! The man is just as much a tyrant as his luck. less son, the Marquis of Lorne, also an anti Home Ruler, is a drivelling imbecile.

HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF. When Mr. Gladstone formed his second administration in 1880, he gave the viceroyalty of India to the Marquis of Ripon. For this outrage on the Protestant character and constitution of the kingdom he was promptly called to task by the British Reformation society. They indicted him in four counts : First, because, though not contrary to the letter it was contrary to the laws which preclude Roman Catholic from occupying the throne of these realms, and from filling the position of her Majesty's representative in Ireland. Secondly, because the Queen, having been created Empress of India, it is evident by implication that the same restrictions exist with respect to the appointment of her Imperial Majesty's representative to rule over her 200,000,-000 Eastern subjects. Thirdly, because the appointment is a precedent changing those laws which preclude Roman Catholics from the throne in this country, which laws were found necessary to preserve the independence of the throne as well as civil and religious liberties. Fourthly, because it has been so ably shown by the Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone, in certain pamphlets, that more than ever since the decrees of the Vatican Courcil of 1870 no one can now become a convert to Romanism without renouncing his moral and mental freedom, and placing his loyalty, civil and mental, at the mercy of

Mr. Gladstone met the remonstrances of the Reformation Society by plain statement: qualifications of Lord Ripon for the high office of Viceroy of India had been carefully considered by her Majesty's Government; that her Majesty's Government repose particular confidence in the honor, integrity and impartiality of Lord Ripon, and are convinced from long experience of his ner sonal qualities that he would never allow his own religious leanings or professions to interfere with the perfect equity of his conduct in any case where religious interests might be concerned." He likewise adds that the office of Viceroy is one detached in a remarkable degree from all direct contact with religious or ecclesiastical interests.

And the British Reformation Society accordingly collapsed.

Lord Randolph Churchill has had. anent Mr. Matthew's appointment to the Home Secretaryship, a somewhat similar experience, as the subjoined correspondence will show :

Scottish Protestant Alliance, Glasgow Sept. 9, 1886.
To the Rt. Hon Lord Randolph Churchill:
My Lord—I have the honor to inform
you that at a meeting in Glasgow yesterday of the directors of the Scottish Protestant alliance the recent appoint-ment of a Roman Catholic to the cabinet office of the home secretary was considered, when the following resolution

vas adopted:
"That as the Papacy claims universal supremacy over all sovereigns, its sub-jects, as Roman Catholics, can no longer render undivided allegiance to Protestant princes, and as the avowed aim of the Papacy is to reduce Great Britain to subjection to the Vatican, this meeting protests against the elevation of Roman Catholics to positions of power and trust n the British empire.

I have the honor to be, my lord,

I have the honor to be, my lord,
Your Lordship's most obedient
very humble servant,
(Signed),
LORD RANDOLPH'S REPLY.
Treasury Chambers, White Hall, Sep 9.
James Kerr, Esq.
Sia,—I beg to acknowledge the receipt of your letter enclosing a copy of the resolution passed by the directors of the Scottish Protestant alliance, and in reply to it beg to remark that I observe with astonishment and regret that in

with astonishment and regret that in this age of enlightenment and general toleration persons professing to be edu-cated and intelligent can arrive at con-clusions so senseless and intolerant as those which are set forth in the resolu-tion. I am air yours faithfull-

(Signed) I am, sir, yours faithfully,
(Signed) RANDOLPH H. CHURCHILL The Scottish Protestant Alliance is, it

is clear, held neither in reverence nor that dread by the new leader of the House of Commons. With awful daring he lays emp profane hands on the "Ark of the Coveernm ant" and dashes it to pieces. Lord hono Randolph is more regardless of the good | leadopinion of the Protestant guardians of mod the temple of the Constitution than even | secu Mr. Gladstone. These choice spirits of of th the Reformation are to be pitied.

MR. PARNELL'S GREAT SPEECH AND ITS EFFECT.

The Irish leader has, within a year or

two, risen to the front rank of Parlia-

mentary orators. His speech at the opening of the present session, the ablest, we think, of his life, produced a produced profound impression on both sides of the House. Lacking the fervidness of O'Connor's and the brilliancy of Sexton's, it kno surpassed every other speech in the It is debate in diplomatic skill, lasting force, ica and thorough effectiveness. He discussed the relations between the two countries with a moderation and clear. The ness that carried the House with him. He told the government plainly that no ism system of coercion will be effectual in ness Ireland. Even though England should accompany it with the suspension of the constitution, of the rights of Ireland both in the House and out of it-she could not succeed. "You must," he said, pris "administer your coercion bills as Russia does. Then that will be coercion worthy of the name_but to keep up a pretended constitutional system in Ireland and to allow eighty-five Irish members to come into this House and expose the workings of your coercion, that will not be a successful system." He told them that they might put down freedom of speech in Ireland, that they might put down the right of public meeting, but they must, in turn, meet the representatives of the Irish nation to give an account of the workings of their policy. On the land question he reminded them that last year Lord Carnarvon had told the land. lords that they had duties as well as rights, and that this was a time of sore and serious pressure, upon which much might turn. It could not, he thought, be the desire of the government to enter into a deliberate conflict with the tenantry of Ireland-to exterminate them by the thousand. He concluded in these terms of adjuration and hope :

"I do not see any other result if they proceed on the lines of the declarations we have heard from the responsible officials of the Government. However it may be, I am confident that whether the Government go on in the course which they have chosen, and whether they recognize the pressure which is upon the agricultural community in Ireland, the National question, the question of autonomy for Ireland, now that it has been raised, will be always first in the hearts of the Light people. The large been raised, will be always first in the hearts of the Irish people. The large Liberal majority—the vast mejority of the Liberal Party, who have voted for the solution at the general election will vote for it again, and their ranks will then be replenished by those doubters whose hesitancy lost the battle on this occasion and whose conversion will gain occasion, and whose conversion will gain it for us at the next. I beg to move as an amendment to the Address the words

which stand in my name: "And humbly to assure her Majesty that we fear that, owing to the heavy fall in the price of agricultural produce, the greatest difficulty will be experienced in the coming winter by the Irish tenant farmers in the payment of their present rente, and many will be unable to pay these rente that numerous evictions, confiscating the rights vested in the tenants by the Land Act 1881, causing widespread suffering and endangering the maintenance of social order, will be the result; that we deprecate order, will be the result; that we deprecate
any attempt to transfer the loss due to
inability to pay the present rents from
the owners of the land to the taxpayers of
Great Britain and Ireland by any extension of State-assisted purchase on the basis
of rents fixed when prices were higher than
they are now."

Mr. Parnell's amendment was rejected, but his speech still rings in the ears of Parliament. The government has consented to give him two days for the discussion of a land bill embodying in enactive form the principles of his amendment to the address, and the latest despatches received as we go to press convey the fol-

lowing: "Nothing could be more moderate in form than Mr. Parnell's offer that the courts should in each case determine on what terms immediate evictions should be suspended. This is what Lord Randolph Churchill is supposed to be inclined to adopt. But Mr. Parnell will be called on first for facts and figures to prove his case. The existence of wide-spread distress is affirmed on one side nd denied on the other. The Standard which argues this question very caut ously, but leans to compromise, says:
'If this be so, policy and humanity alike demand that tenants who are unable to pay in full shall not be compelled to pay the forfeit of their failure.' Still more the foriest of their failure.' Still more significantly it adds:—'The Government must bid against the League for the gratitude of the Irish people. The Ministry must not be deterred by false pride from giving effect to whatever element of justice exists in Mr. Parnell's

come on Monday week. The Govern ment insist on completing supply first. The Standard evidently speaks by the ministerial book, Mr. Parnell has already practically secured a great victory for the Irish tenantry. He has made Britain-even Tory Britain-feel

proposal.' If this language finds much echo in the Tory party, difficult indeed will the Ministry find it to meet Parnell

with a mere non possumus. The second reading of the Bill is now expected to