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J. J. CHADOCK, Editor and Publisher

CALENDAR FOR OCTOBER.

- 18 Sunday. XXI. after Pentecost. III. in October. Purity of the B. V. St. Luke Evangelist.
19 Monday. St. Peter of Alcantara.
20 Tuesday. St. John of Cantli.
21 Wednesday. St. Helwig. St. Hilarton.
22 Thursday. Purity of the B. V.
23 Friday. Our Most Holy Redeemer. Votive Office of the Passion.
24 Saturday. St. Raphael. Archangel.
25 Sunday. XXII. after Pentecost. IV. in October. Patronage of the B. V. Holy Relics.
26 Monday. Votive office of the Holy Angels.
27 Tuesday. Votive office of the Holy Apostles.
28 Wednesday. St. Simon and St. Jude Apostles.
29 Thursday. Votive office of the Blessed Sacrament.
30 Friday. Votive office of the Passion.
31 Saturday. Votive office of the Immaculate Conception. Vigil of All Saints. Fast.

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SATURDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1885.

OUR PROSPECTUS.

The want of a Catholic paper in the North-West has been long and keenly felt and the publication of the NORTHWEST-REVIEW is intended to fill that want as far as possible, and not, as is erroneously thought, to wage war against other denominations, far from it. There is perfect accord existing between Catholics and protestants in this country, and the NORTHWEST REVIEW will do nothing that will in any way disturb that feeling, on the contrary, its endeavor will be to perpetuate it and to use its power in every instance to avoid anything that would put an end to the present harmony existing between Catholics and Protestants.

The main endeavor of the NORTHWEST REVIEW will be the diffusion of Catholic literature; to supply pure, solid and entertaining reading for Catholics, and will strive to prove such a companion to its readers that its weekly appearance will be anxiously looked for.

The greatest claim on which the REVIEW seeks a place in the household is, that it is and always will be, thoroughly and uncompromisingly Catholic.

On the question of politics—a question which largely enters into the composition of most newspapers—this journal will be conspicuously independent. The opinion that Catholic papers should, in a great measure avoid politics is shared in by the publisher of the REVIEW; but as Catholics have wide and deep interests in this country which are either affected or touched upon by politics it therefore becomes an impossibility for a Catholic journal to avoid entirely being brought into the political arena. However, the REVIEW will interfere in politics only when Catholic interests are at stake and in the cause of good government, treating all questions in a broad and liberal manner without regard for party feeling. If a government be found unworthy of public confidence or an official a source of danger to the commonwealth, the

REVIEW will never hesitate to say so no matter who be the offending party or parties.

The REVIEW will also use its power and influence for the welfare of Manitoba and the North-West by advocating the emigration to the North-West, of our co-religionists from the eastern provinces as well as from the mother country, not, be it understood to serve any sectional end but solely in the interest of the North-West which we believe offers splendid advantages to the immigrant and in this direction, the NORTHWEST REVIEW will be in a position to do much good owing to the fact that it will be read in families which other journals will not reach.

By giving reliable information of the resources and the peculiar fitness of the North-West as a home for immigrants—not by offering unalloyed or unprecedented advantages to the unsuspecting emigrant—but by stating truthfully the advantages to be derived by settling here, the NORTHWEST REVIEW hopes to merit the confidence and support of all.

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INDICENT

A weekly issue purporting to be a newspaper, and bearing a name which has become synonymous with "common sewer," has addressed a long tirade of abuse to His Grace Archbishop Tache, pretending to be a reply to an article in our last number on Francophobia. That His Grace should be addressed by name respecting a writing which has no appearance whatever of his sanction is a mark of the malignity for which the foul sheet we refer to has ever been remarkable.

We have no explanation to offer to the man who can resort to such modes of insult and injury,—a coward who attacks families and individuals as it may suit his drunken humor,—but to the public we would say, in all truthfulness, that Archbishop Tache is in no way responsible for the article referred to; neither is he for any production, written or selected, which appears in the "Review;" and there is certainly no form of connection between His Grace and the proprietor, which could lead to, much less warrant, such control as has been maliciously imputed to His Grace.

THE DEAD CARDINAL.

As we feared in our last number, the end of Cardinal McCloskey was at hand, and so it happened, for his demise occurred shortly after publication, and has caused a great sorrow to the Catholic world; indeed the Church can ill afford to lose such an able and venerable prelate.

Though it was generally known that the illustrious ecclesiastic was in delicate health, still very few were prepared for the sad intelligence of Saturday last. Cardinal John McCloskey was America's first Cardinal, and was loved and venerated for his wise counsel and paternal rule by his faithful children, who lovingly tendered their friendship and devotion to smooth his passage to the unknown land, and with bowed heads and submissive hearts received the divine decree. Great indeed will be their loss, but the sustaining hope of seeing again his face in the realms above will support them in the hour of trial. "Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven."

THE FRENCH ELECTIONS.

Though it is difficult, except to a close observer of French politics, to form a correct idea of the drift of affairs in that country, owing to the many parties (or wheels within wheels) in the political field, yet it is plain that the result of the elections bear out the hopeful anticipations held by the "Review" a week or two ago. The Catholics, as we predicted, hearkened to the voice of their spiritual rulers, and voted for Christianity as against infidelity, which were really the questions at issue, resulting in a sweeping victory for the Catholics. A reconstruction of the Ministry is now necessary, and indeed it is doubtful whether the present Ministry can get together a working majority; and in the event of a failure, which is altogether probable, another crisis in this unfortunate country is likely to occur, probably resulting in the overthrow of the Republic and a return to a kingdom. The situation forbodes great trouble to France indeed. While we lend our sympathies to Republicanism, and look upon it as the spirit of the age; yet the downfall of the Republicans of France will cause no regret,

for their policy has been one of extermination against the altar and the hearth, against which the whole of Europe has proclaimed; they have rejected divine teaching and opposed the authority of the Church, and the sooner this party, who have claimed to be governing in the name of the people, are consigned to oblivion, the better will it be for La Belle France.

The great defeat sustained by the Radicals is evidenced by the rage of the Paris mob as thus reported by the cable:

The proprietors of the Gaulois, in order to signalize the Conservative successes, illuminated their office Monday evening. The inscription, "One hundred and seventy-five Conservatives elected! Vive la France!" formed of gas jets, was conspicuously displayed in the windows. A crowd soon assembled, and threw stones at the windows. The police were unable to disperse the mob. Editor Meyer made an attempt to leave the building. He was warned by the commissary of police to abandon the idea of leaving, but he persisted, and was seized by the mob. The staff of the Gaulois then made a sortie and rescued Meyer, who was severely bruised in the scuffle. Meanwhile the crowd increased, and the excitement became intense. The police were reinforced, and the prefect of police ordered them to clear the streets. After the greatest efforts the police succeeded in dispersing the mob. During the melee two revolvers were fired at the windows of the Gaulois office.

REV. C. B. PITBLADO AND JOHN KNOX.

The Clergyman whose name appears above has lately delivered a lecture in the Selkirk Hall on the character and qualities of the Founder of his sect, John Knox. Mr. Pitblado is a man we desire not to quarrel with; he is amiable in society, and we should say, is not deficient in kindly feeling towards his fellow-men generally. He is, we believe, a man of the people, and is anxious to do good according to his lights. In the late trouble at Batoche, and elsewhere, he shewed a good spirit towards the oppressed, said nothing harsh or offensive of them, and were it not for the mistake he made in believing that Riel could renounce the faith of his fathers, and adopt nothing, we could respect his judgment as much as we certainly do his feelings, and general utterances. In all that we here refer to Mr. Pitblado, contrasts favorably with his colleague, Mr. Gordon, who shewed a strong desire to discredit the half-breeds, out and out; and to relieve the government from all blame or responsibility as regards the Saskatchewan troubles. Respecting, as we do, and for the reasons indicated, the character and office of Mr. Pitblado, we cannot but regret that he should have chosen as the subject of his lecture the defence of the coarse and cruel John Knox. Without going the length of Doctor Samuel Johnson, who said that "Knox was one of the ruffians of the Reformation," we may safely aver that from the hour that he yielded to his gross and violent passions, against the commands of God's Church, to that which placed his body beneath the earth, his general conduct is not to be praised, much less imitated. His conduct towards his lawful sovereign, Queen Mary, was not less treasonable, according to common law, that it was cowardly and unmanly, such as she could have ordered him to be kicked for from her presence, and then strangled as a rebel. He told her she was "an idolater, and should die the death!" she who had the blood of successive Catholic monarchs in her veins, and who believed as had Edward the Confessor, Cardinal Pole and Sir Thomas More!!

Mr. Pitblado says that "before the Reformation the Church itself believed in persecution instead of persuasion." If so, Knox was a worthy son. But the French Protestant Guizot, a higher authority than our reverend friend, gives a different account of the pre-Reformation history of the Church, from which it would appear that Knox was indebted to his natural disposition for his violent acts, and not to the Mother whom he renounced, and who had so long restrained him. Yes, Knox and Calvin were both unfeeling men. A Protestant writer says of a conference held by those worthies, of which he had read, that "it must have looked like a meeting of the axe and the block."

Mr. Pitblado refers to the Monasteries of Scotland and would seem to condemn them, and commend their destruction by his Iconoclast countryman. We had not expected that such a position would be taken by such a man. As a scholar he should know that the monks by converting the barbarians were the better enabled to preserve the writings of the Greeks and the Romans; and more valuable still were their labors in preserving, and perpetuating by their own pens, the sacred books of Scripture, "They carried," says Montalembert, "labor, fertility, human strength, and intelligence into those solitudes which till then had

been abandoned to wild beasts and to the disorder of spontaneous vegetation." In fact by the labor of their own hands they cultivated half Europe. Individual monks erred, no doubt, "but," says the learned Protestant Maitland, "that there ever was truth in the coarse and filthy abuse heaped upon the monastic order as a body, by some who were forward in the business of the Reformation, is what I suppose never was believed by any who had a moderate knowledge of facts." We may return to this subject and say more in refutation of Mr. Pitblado's charges, direct and indirect; and may also venture to question whether Scotland is really a greater country now, allowance being made for certain natural progress, that when the holy Monks taught, and such men as Bruce and Wallace wielded the sword.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

The Catholic newspapers of Paris declare that fully 24,000 Christians were recently murdered in Annam.

During the winter the workmen will be steadily employed on the building of St. Peter's Cathedral, Montreal. Already \$3,000 worth of objects have been contributed to the bazaar for the purpose of raising funds for the work.

We see by an advertisement in the Catholic Mirror that Pat Myles, alias "Signor Hazazer," well known to Montrealers, is following his old occupation, that of teaching the muse of motion, in Baltimore, Md.

The Imperial Privy Council has just passed a sentence of imprisonment for life on Riel, the justice of which the law-abiding people of the Dominion will not question and consequently an end to this unfortunate affair will be brought about.

It is to be regretted that the City Council cannot see their way clear towards bonusing the Elevator Company. That it will be a benefit to the city in many ways has been fully established and therefore some special effort should be made to secure to Winnipeg such a source of wealth. To refuse assistance to an enterprise that will add so materially to the importance of the city and greatly help its development is certainly not economy.

The Council has rejected the motion of Ald. Ryan to open the committee meetings to members of the press. To say the least it does not reflect much credit on our city; for if the committee meetings are honestly conducted why should the public be excluded from a knowledge of the proceedings. No good or sufficient reason can be given for the action of the aldermen.

A reporter on the Manitoban—for the editor, whatever his views, would not have been so impolitic as to speak so disrespectfully of a class the majority of whom are usually numbered among Conservatives—this reporter in a reference to the Catholic Church uses the expression, with others also to which we object—"the Romish Church." The man who wrote these words was either ignorant or malicious—probably the former, and he used the word Romish to mean Roman. Now Catholics are Roman, and glory in the title; but the order Romish denies us the title, for it means, indeed, the contrary, not Roman but only in some respects like it. Some Protestants may be spoken of as Romish, but Catholics are Roman. In spite of grammar, however, the word is frequently used as one of the thousand and one opprobrious adjectives applied to the Church which so many, alas, in their ignorance fear and hate.

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