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All arrangements have now been perfected to bring out the “Evening Post” on MONDAY, JUNE 10th.

A new press has been bought for the “True Witness.” The machinery is in order, and our friends may look out for the new paper on the day promised.

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TO OUR READERS.

Once more we are compelled to address a few words to the readers of the TRUE WITNESS and this time we are able to address words of encouragement. For the last few months more than one important charge has been made in the destiny of this journal, and to-day marks a new era in its history.

EVENING POST

the first number of which will appear on MONDAY NEXT

the 10th inst.. The venture is now about to be launched, and there may be some of our friends who doubt of its success. To such we say—set your mind at rest. No paper ever started under more favourable auspices. We have already a well established weekly in the TRUE WITNESS the circulation and usefulness of which we expect to rapidly increase.

COMMERCIAL INTERESTS,

of the public, for which duty a special reporter has been secured. It will also appeal to interests hitherto too much neglected by the press of Canada. We have in this country a military organization to which too little attention has been paid and the EVENING POST will attempt the task of paying special attention to the state of our

VOLUNTEER MILITIA

and do all it can to cultivate a spirit of generous emulation between rival corps. It will note every effort to advance the interests of the service with pleasure, and it will jealously guard against anything calculated to weaken the defensive powers of the country or to place the Volunteer Militia in a state of unpreparedness to meet contingencies which none of us can tell, how soon may arise.

FARMING COMMUNITY

by giving cuts of farm instruments, machinery &c., &c., which cuts will be copied into the weekly edition. We shall in fact do all in our power to make the EVENING POST a live paper as the phrase goes, and we expect to obtain the hearty support of all our friends, and a manly and fair antagonism from all to whom we are opposed.

“DORA,”

a tale of Irish life.

“FATHER” McNAMARA.

Priests, like other men, have their vices. There have been, there are, and in all likelihood, there ever will be black legs in holy orders. But unlike other men, when priests fall, they in most cases, fall like Lucifer, “Never to rise again.”

THE ELECTIONS.

It is wonderful what a good fellow Pat becomes at election times. As the period approaches when the counting of the ballot papers, decides who is to represent a constituency at Ottawa, Pat becomes elevated socially, morally and politically. His very prejudices are overlooked and he is pictured the beau ideal of good citizenship.

THREATENING LETTERS.

The threatening letter season has again commenced. Last year we received them by the dozen, and all through the winter a dropping fire of skirmishers kept up a discharge of blank ammunition into our letter box and from thence to our waste paper basket.

THE “RIGHTS” OF ORANGEMEN.

Some people appear to think that the authorities are bound to protect the Orangemen in the event of their walking in Montreal. This is a mistake. The authorities are only bound to protect societies which are not illegal, and if armed protection was given to Orangemen the authorities would be guilty of a violation of the laws.

SIGNIFICANT.

It is rumored that the Irish Catholic Union has invited the Ancient Order of Hibernians from the States to attend a picnic to be given in Montreal on July 11th. It is, too, rumored that the Irish Societies of Quebec, Ottawa, &c., &c., are to be invited as well, and that preparations on a large scale are being made to make the picnic a gigantic demonstration.

LACROSSE.

The Shamrocks have been beaten by the Toronto club, and we are not very sorry for it. A fair game was played and Toronto won three out of five, and they won the championship. But if the Shamrocks lost the match their defeat disposed of a vicious calumny which had been whispered against their countrymen.

defeat has removed a vicious calumny against their people—it has stimulated Lacrosse—and in a short time they will meet the Torontonians again. We must remember that the Shamrocks had had no practice ground. For a few days they practiced in a field that was partly a swamp.

RITUALISM VIEWED FROM A PROTESTANT STANDPOINT.

A correspondent of one of the most prominent American dailies, writing from London, says that “the most active party in the English Church is the Ritualistic, and to enter All Saints, Margaret street, St. Alban’s, Holborn, St. Andrew’s, Hill street, and other churches whose clergy are of that ilk, you would at first suppose yourself in a Roman Catholic chapel.”

“True, the service is in English, but it is often quite impossible for a stranger to discover whether the priest was intoning prayers in English or in Latin. You know, too, that these Ritualistic preachers insist upon the confession, and practically at least upon the seven Sacraments of Rome, instead of the two recognized by the Church of England. It seems to be the effort of Mr. Mackenzie, a prominent leader of the so-called ‘Reformed Episcopal Church,’ Mr. Shipley, and the rest to bring their parishioners so near the Church of Rome that the transition may be made without effort or shock.”

Thus it is outside the pale of the Church, where no solid footing is to be found, and people are carried hither and thither by every wind and wave of doctrine. Anglicanism, like the other human institutions, such as Arianism, Nestorianism, etc., which preceded it, had its day, and now in turn begins to give way to more modern forms of ‘ism, such as Methodism, Puseyism, etc.

THIS MORNINGS’ NEWS.

The Local Legislature of Quebec met yesterday, when Mr. Turcotte, M.P.P., of Three Rivers, was chosen speaker.

THE CATHOLIC UNION.—The Irish Catholic Union is pushing forward the preparations for a monster picnic. It is to take place on Dominion Day.

Their Lordships, Bishop Duhamel, of Ottawa and Bishop Moreau, of St. Hyacinthe, will proceed to Rome during the month of October. Bishop Moreau will be the bearer of decrees from the Quebec Council.

The Annual Exhibition of the “Holy Tabernacle Association” will take place on Monday, June 24th, in the Community room of the Congregation de Notre Dame, [entrance by St. John Baptist Street.] His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal, is expected at 2.30 P.M. After blessing the sacred vessels, vestments and altar linens His Lordship will officiate at the Solemn benediction of the Blessed Sacrament. All kind friends are cordially invited.

LETTER FROM TORONTO.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Toronto, June 1st, 1878.

“FATHER” McNAMARA.

Doubtless you are aware that Toronto is now the temporary abode of “Father” McNamara of New York, the ex-priest, who has achieved notoriety from the fact of his having publicly departed from the Roman Catholic Church, and established what he asserts is the Irish Church; his apparent aim being the ultimate reconciliation of all Irishmen, both Catholics and Protestants.

VOLUNTEER REVIEW IN MONTREAL.

Four hundred Torontonians in the representative capacity of the Queen’s Own Rifles, having gone to Montreal to participate in the review held there in honor of Her Majesty’s birthday, some considerable interest was taken here in the proceedings.

HON. ALEX. MACKENZIE.

The Premier arrived in the city on Wednesday evening, and on Thursday evening at the Adelaide street Skating Rink a formal reception was tendered to him by the Reform workmen. The Committee of management decided that the admission should be by ticket, whereupon about five or six thousand tickets were printed and distributed.