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Calendar for the Week.

- May 14—Ascension Day. Holyday of Obligation. 15—St. Isidore the Husbandman. 16—St. Urbanus, P. 17—St. John Nepomucene M. 18—St. Venantius M. 19—St. Peter Celestine P. 20—St. Bernardine of Siena.

The British Parliament has given to the second reading to a bill forbidding the Church of England clergymen to marry divorced persons.

Discretion may be the better part of valor for some politicians, but Mr. Emerson Coatsworth has placed himself above such paltry devices.

Dr. Jameson is no coward. He has now come forward to exonerate Sir Cecil Rhodes.

The Shah of Persia, who was assassinated the other day near his own capital, was a shrewd politician.

A correspondent of The Globe revives the alleged interview between Mr. Stead and Archbishop Croke, in which His Grace of Cashel is credited with saying: "I think that the New Zealand system (secular education) is the best in the world."

It is possible that serious consequences may be precipitated any moment between the United States and Spain. The friction is now very great.

The Kingston Freeman tells us that the Protestant drum has been beating an alarm down there over the appointment of Dr. Ryan as surgeon to the Penitentiary.

The Tablet writes—The Archbishop of Dublin, who has just left Ireland for a brief holiday on the Continent, has become an accomplished cyclist.

the Knoch water cure, from which he has derived much benefit on other occasions, and that his bicycle goes with him. We have not yet had the pleasure of meeting any member of the English Hierarchy on a bicycle.

United Canada endeavors to gloss over its partisan and disgraceful traffic in Irish sentiment and Catholic principles by assailing THE REGISTER as a procliver of Toryism.

THE REGISTER is, we understand, among the papers which Mr. Robert Birmingham—chief Conservative organizer and chief of the Orange order in Ontario—has on his list to receive instructions from him.

Father Lambert, in The New York Freeman's Journal says:

The late Bishop of Buffalo was born in Canada. It is now stated that the three priests whose names have been sent to Rome—Dr. Quigley, Father Cannon and Vicar-General Langan—were born in Canada.

A compliment from the gifted editor of The Freeman's Journal is warm and well-meant; it is his humor only that is dry.

Two theosophists were married in New York the other day with much mystery. The ceremony was performed by a person veiled to impenetrability.

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phenomena or pretend to give any explanation of them. Science, in a word, opens the door to credulity and superstition; and so even the most intelligent people, if they are not firmly grounded in the Christian faith, are ready to believe almost anything.

Rights of English-Speaking Catholics.

Party government in Canada, as elsewhere, has received its full share of criticism. Its critics have been honest and otherwise; but we shall allude here only to honest and intelligent criticism.

The genius of party government in British countries must be looked for not so much in the parties themselves as in the Cabinet. No matter which party is in power, the Premier, in forming his Cabinet, is supposed to consider all classes of the people.

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Passing over this famous incident we come to glance at the last administration of Sir John Macdonald. There were Sir John Thompson and Mr. Costigan, two English speaking Catholics, with portfolios.

appearance only while Mr. Curran was content with the position in which he was placed after the death of Sir John Thompson.

We were surprised the other day upon learning that Sir Charles Tupper had filled the place of the second Catholic representative by putting his son into it.

The nominations are now being made of candidates from among whom the members of the 8th Parliament of Canada will be elected next month. The two great political parties are already engaged in the fight in the constituencies upon a question which is essentially a Catholic question.

But before proceeding to this branch of the subject let us say at once that such representation in the Cabinet of English-speaking Catholics as is afforded by senators without portfolios satisfies no one.

Turning now towards the Liberal party, where are the Catholics to take the places of Messrs Scott and McDonnell in the administration of Mr. Mackenzie?

This is a most important question, and we believe this is the time to press it upon the attention of the leaders on both sides. The English-speaking Catholics of Ontario and of Canada with their strong traditions of representative government, are a class of the citizens of this Dominion.

two party leaders that their rights shall be respected no matter which side may win. The time to get that guarantee is before the day of nominations, June 10.

George Taylor, P. P. A. Regulator.

Mr. George Taylor, the Conservative whip, told his Brookville audience, at the opening of the campaign there, that he was a Protestant and an Orangeman.

The second evidence of Mr. McCarthy's unfitness to lead the hosts of Protestantism was the fact that his stepdaughter, who is his housekeeper, takes her two children to the Roman Catholic Church every Sunday.

Mr. Taylor's idea of fitting conduct on the part of Protestants will not, we trust, meet with very general approval. He would be a private bigot; he would make war upon the religion of his relatives.

Mr. Taylor, Conservative whip, can claim all the honor that appertains to the introduction of these enlightened notions into Canadian politics.

Conservative Anti-Remedialists.

In his address to the electors of Canada, as Premier and leader of the Conservative party, Sir Charles Tupper, after reviewing the course of the Government with reference to the Manitoba School question, said:

Knowing that our case rests upon a sound constitutional basis, and feeling we are doing right, it is our patriotic duty to adhere to the policy we have adopted in this regard; and we now appeal for vindication to the sober sense of justice of the Canadian people.

In his speech at Sherbrooke, Que., the other day Mr. Tullon, the Quebec leader, said:

He had gone into the Ottawa Cabinet only after having received the solemn promise of Sir Charles Tupper that the remedial bill as brought up at the last session would be brought up again at the next session and without amendment.

We are quite justified in concluding from the above statements that the re-introduction of remedial legislation next session is the policy of the Conservative government and party. Candidates who differ from the government upon this issue have no right to appeal to the electors as Conservatives.

conventions are betraying the Conservative government by putting men in nomination who will endeavor to defeat that government upon a constitutional issue. For there, as we said last week, be no clouding the issue. Now what are the facts? Ex-Speaker White is seeking re-election through the party nomination while he is a publicly pledged opponent of remedial legislation.

We are glad to see that Catholic Conservative share more honesty and intelligence. Mr. Nicholas Murphy, Q. C. at the West Toronto convention said:

Mr. Murphy told his fellow delegates in short that a party man should be a consistent man. They evidently did not see the matter in the same light. If they could do so they would readily have perceived that being out of accord with their leader and party upon the main issue of the elections, the only course open to them was to form a party on lines similar to the Liberal Unionist party in British politics.

NEW CHURCH AT GODERICH.

The Corner-Stone of St. Peter's to be Laid on Sunday Next by the Bishop of London.

The new Church of St. Peter, of which the corner-stone will be laid next Sunday, the 17th inst., by His Lordship the Bishop of London, will, when completed, form one of the chief features of interest in the town of Goderich.

The frontage of the building is 60 ft. and the total length 110 ft. The style of architecture chosen is early Gothic, and the materials to be used local stone with Ohio stone dressings.

The main body of the church is 45 ft. by 35 ft., with seating accommodation for 550 persons; the chancel is 25 ft. by 23 ft., connected by arches with chapels on either side. The sacristy is 30 ft. by 16 ft., and will be used also as a morning chapel.

The chancel will be separated from the nave by a massive arch. The main roof is to be in one span.

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The building will be heated by hot air furnaces and lighted by electric light. The contractors for the various works are: E. A. Conway, Bradford, for the masonry; J. G. Galt, for the plumbing; and J. W. Holmes, for the carpentry and joinery work.

The plans and specifications were furnished by Messrs. Foss & Holmes, architects, of Toronto, and the work is being carried out under the personal supervision of Mr. A. W. Holmes, pastor, the Rev. Father West.