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WEDNESDAY.....APRIL 25, 1883.

CATHOLIC CALENDAR.

THURSDAY, 26.—SS. Cletus and Marcellinus, Popes and Martyrs. Conns. Abp. Wood, Philadelphia, 1857. FRIDAY, 27.—SS. Soter and Celsus, Popes and Martyrs (April 22). Conns. Bp. Gross, Savannah, 1873.

AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT.

While appealing to the friends and supporters of THE TRUE WITNESS to redouble their efforts in further extending its circulation, we desire at the same time to assure them that every assistance we are capable of, will be given, so as to facilitate their work in the interests of this paper.

For the future the price per annum for THE TRUE WITNESS will be one dollar, payable strictly in advance. This condition of paying in advance will be strictly adhered to in all cases.

We hope that every reader of THE TRUE WITNESS will induce her or his neighbor to become a subscriber, and whilst ben-efiting and assisting us will at the same time be the medium of promoting Catholic journalism.

We take this opportunity of thanking our friends and subscribers for the generous support that they have given to THE TRUE WITNESS in the past, and hope that they shall continue to extend to us the same kindness in the future; and the best proof of that appreciation to us will be an effort to increase the circulation of THE TRUE WITNESS.

The reduction in the annual subscription of THE TRUE WITNESS will take place from 1st April next. We are now mailing the accounts for months due by our subscribers, and hope that they will respond freely. The amounts in most cases are small, but to us they represent in the aggregate thousands of dollars.

Over twenty thousand persons have been arrested in Moscow on suspicion of being engaged in plots against the life of the Czar. The old saying is, uneasy lies the head that wears a crown, but here the uneasiness comes before the crown.

is perfectly absurd to pay any attention to anonymous letters and to create the impression that the life of the Princess is in danger; it is, moreover, shameful to make Her Royal Highness believe that a body guard is necessary for her safety.

PRESIDENT MOONEY, of the American Land League, has cabled Farnell that all arrangements are complete it would be inadvisable to postpone the Irish National Convention, to be held at Philadelphia, until next fall.

This British Columbian has time and again expressed their decided repugnance to the Chinese, and have persistently invited the Government to put a stop to the wholesale immigration of these Orientals.

The Hamilton Tribune, which first published the now famous Macdonnell-Tupper correspondence, has been pretty roundly abused by its Tory and partisan confederates.

And what is the result of all these idiotic precautions? Why, a pop-gun cannot be fired in Ottawa, but its who is taken to be that of an explosion; a bottle cannot be broken, but the noise creates alarm and fear; that is in the minds of the officials, police and press correspondents.

A MISLEADING STATEMENT. Mr. Hawkins, the member for Bothwell who so vigorously championed the cause of the Orangemen during the recent debates on the bill to incorporate the Association, made a statement which we thought at the time to be very doubtful, if not altogether inaccurate.

KNOW NOTHING VS. CONVENTS. About two weeks ago our religious contemporary, the Daily Witness, published a rather sensational account of a "Nun being imprisoned in the Hochelaga convent."

THE EXTRADITION OF CONSPIRATORS. ENGLAND, in being pestered by dynamite plotters, seems to be reaping only what she has sown. The British Government, whether Whig or Tory, always allowed, and even encouraged the conspirators of friendly powers.

such a demand the Government sacrifices consistency and principles which they were ever ready to uphold against Europe combined. Why should the United States interfere with schemes which are no more than those concocted by the Mazzinian and other revolutionary cliques with the approbation and under the protection of England.

What is the matter with the authorities in Ottawa? They seem to have dynamite on the brain awfully bad. An empty whiskey or soda bottle cannot fall out of an official's coat-tail pocket and roll down the stone steps of the Parliament Buildings, but they shudder and cry: Oh, my, there is an explosion!

On Wednesday next there will assemble at Philadelphia representative bodies of Irishmen and the sons of Irishmen, which will mark a hopeful epoch in the history of the exiled race. These representatives, gathered from all parts of America, will hold two consecutive conventions for the discussion of Irish affairs.

"are thus kept from speaking out? I ask by what authority any woman can be kept from her freedom in a Protestant land?" Now this is quite pathetic and sympathetic, but it is not quite accurate; in fact, it is quite false and thoroughly misleading, and any man who writes or speaks in that strain, knows nothing whereof he speaks or writes.

THE PHILADELPHIA CONVENTIONS. On Wednesday next there will assemble at Philadelphia representative bodies of Irishmen and the sons of Irishmen, which will mark a hopeful epoch in the history of the exiled race.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN'S REPLY TO LORD SALISBURY. The Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, M.P., one of the most able Ministers of Gladstone's Cabinet, has, in the midst of the dynamite uproar and the frothy denunciations of the Irish people by the Tory press.

Lord Salisbury, the Tory leader, had fiercely attacked the Irish policy of the Government in Birmingham, the great centre of English Democracy and Radicalism, and the borough which Mr. Chamberlain represents.

The second Convention to be held on the following day or days will be the greatest Irish representative body ever assembled in or out of the Island. The platform upon which it will stand will not simply be the question of "of land" but every question pertaining to the principle of "Irish nationality."

The utterances of this Cabinet Minister on this point ought to open the eyes of a good many who imagine that the Irish people have resolved nothing but kindness from the English Government. "Lord Salisbury," said Mr. Chamberlain, "cares nothing for the bulk of the Irish nation."

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under the threat of eviction and the prospect of starvation, have paid the unjust rents levied on their own improvements and extorted from their desperate toll and hopeless poverty (hear, hear). I say that on this matter, as on so many others, Lord Salisbury constitutes himself the spokesman of a class; of the class to which he himself belongs, who toll not, neither do they spin (cheers and laughter); whose fortunes, as in his case, have originated by grants made in times long gone by for the services which courtiers rendered kings (loud cheers), and have since grown and increased, while they have slept, by levying an unearned share on all that other men have done by toll and labor to add to the general wealth and prosperity of the country of which they form a part (loud cheers).

This speech is highly remarkable for several reasons; first, for the circumstances under which it was delivered, when every human and diabolical effort was made to crush Ireland under the weight of additional coercion, for real or alleged crimes of unknown persons; it is remarkable for the views and sentiments which it contains; remarkable for the source whence it came—a responsible Minister of the Crown—and remarkable for the manner in which it was received by a crowded meeting of English people.

We publish to-day a report of the able and eloquent speech of the member for Montreal Centre on the Orange Incorporation Bill. Mr. Curran has fully realized the expectations of his numerous friends and admirers, and taken a front rank amongst the masters of the Dominion. The speech is a masterpiece of logic and high-toned patriotism.

To estimate what a high protective tariff has done for the United States as a manufacturing country, one has only to look at the difference between the value of manufactures thirty years ago and that of the present day. In 1850 the total value was \$1,018,106,610; in 1870 it was \$4,232,325,442, and according to the last census in 1880 it aggregated \$5,369,687,706, or a five-fold increase in thirty years.

THE ORIGIN OF THE OTTAWA DYNAMITE SCARE. THE ORGANIZER SUPPOSED TO BE AN EX-POLITICIAN.—IRISH IMMIGRATION TO THE NORTH-WEST. Ottawa, April 25th. [From our Special Correspondent.] I think I see a little light through the dynamite mine.

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