

dicalism against Conservatism ; and that while the Infidels were on the Liberal side and the Catholics on the Conservative, the Evangelical Protestants were keeping as far aloof as possible from either party. The cruel persecutions to which the Evangelical Christians have been since subjected in some of the Liberal cantons, the ejection of the faithful pastors of the Canton de Vaud, the violent outrages of the people in breaking up or disturbing religious assemblies, the connivance of many magistrates, and their refusal to grant protection or redress—these are facts sufficient to show that civil and religious liberty are in Switzerland more in danger from the tyranny of mob-rule than from any political or ecclesiastical despotism. *A la lanterne* is a cry that may easily be got up again, but we are not so afraid of the Inquisitions being rebuilt ; and if the alternative be even Jesuitism or Fourrserism, we would rather sympathise with the former than with the lawless Socialism of its antagonist.

I trust that these remarks may persuade some that while neither party in the present conflict can have the full sympathy of Christian men in England, the worst thing that can possibly be done is to give any countenance or support to the so-called Liberal party. Evangelical religion has suffered more from their intolerance than from the opposition of the open enemies of Protestantism. And besides, the Catholic cantons have justice on their side, so that the war will be one of oppression—of might against right.

We earnestly hope that our Government will join those of other countries that are anxious to interpose for the prevention of bloodshed. The interference of England in the way of mediation would be gladly hailed by true Swiss patriots, and might have the effect of procuring concessions and of obtaining benefits that would tend to the advancement both of religion and liberty in that country.

A MINISTER OF THE PRESBYTERY OF
LONDON.

London, October 27.

The Swiss Federal Gazette publishes the following letter, addressed by the Pope to the Nuncio at Lucerne :

“ Monseigneur—The Helvetic Diet was to open this day. All the neighbouring nations will attend to its proceedings with its utmost solicitude, as the peace of Switzerland, the preservation of the federal compact and of the cantonal governments will depend on the questions debated, and decided on by its members. But we, who from the sublimation of our apostolic ministry, place religious conditions far above political reasons, but too well comprehend, with all the affection of a father, and with heartfelt grief, the danger to which this generous nation is exposed. We behold the internal

dissensions which agitate it, and with an humble heart we fervently pray the Lord to prevent them, by tempering the over-excited ardour in their minds, from throwing themselves headlong into open war, and not to allow the soil of Switzerland to be imbrued with the blood of brethren. We pray for all those who invoke with us, the name of God in spirit and in truth. We do not pray less for those whom we desire to see united to us by the ties of the most tender love, at whatever period it may be : and as far as our voice can be heard through the tumult of passions, so far do we wish you to make it resound in every part of Switzerland. The Lord, who inspires such desires in our soul, will lend to our voice sufficient force to restore peace to these hearts troubled by angry passions, and will fecundate, by his grace, the apostolic blessing which we bestow upon them from the bottom of our heart.”

The Rev. Mt. Lennon, who has just completed his studies in All-Hallows' College, near Dublin, arrived in Boston last Thursday. The harvest is ripe, and, thanks be to God, the number of the laborers is increasing. Besides Mr. Lennon, Mr. O'Donnell, Mr. Shaw, and Mr. Smith, three Jesuit Fathers have also been added to our number. We hope much for our New England.—*Catholic Observer.*

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NOVEMBER 22	Mrs. Artry of a daughter
—	“ — McLoughlan of a daughter
—	23 — Bourke of a daughter
—	24 — Kennedy of a daughter
—	“ — Carney of a son
—	“ — Joy of a son.

INTERMENTS.

AT THE CEMETERY OF THE HOLY CROSS.

November 22—Bartholomew Comel, native of Galway, Ireland, aged 58 years. 23—Thomas, infant son of Thomas and Elizabeth Flinn, aged 3 months & 21 days. 24—John Scallon native of Wexford, Ireland, aged 80 years. 25—Joseph son of John & Mary Moriarty, aged 8 months ; Julia, daughter of Sergt. Thos Weeks, Royal N. F. Company, aged 11 years and 9 months.

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