

STATUE OF THE VIRGIN MARY AT PAY.

L'Observateur Catholique, (1st Oct. 1860.) has the following remarks on the inauguration of the statue of the Virgin Mary at Pay, from which it may be seen that some members of the Church of Rome are as keenly sensible as ourselves of the excesses of ultra-montanism. On the 12th of September was inaugurated at Pay, the colossal statue erected in honour of the new dogma. So grand a festival could not take place without a miracle. The correspondent of the *Monde* thinks that he observed one. Let him tell his own story:

"Mary was not a stranger to the splendour of that triumph; she proved to us in a manner the most touching that she appreciated the efforts which we were making to honour her. The skies had been for some days previous gloomy and rainy, and on the morning itself a dense mist, resolving itself from time to time into actual rain, caused apprehensions that the ceremony would not take place; but when the procession issued from the cathedral, the clouds dispersed, and at the very moment when the coverings of the statue were removed, a sunbeam came to illuminate it. You will readily conceive how this delicate attention of the queen of heaven, hearing so opportunely the prayers which had been addressed to her, powerfully contributed to heighten the enthusiasm of the immense crowd assembled at that moment on the place du Breuil."

The miracle was, in reality, too evident to allow of any doubt that it was such. The correspondent of the *Monde* is so delighted with his miracle that he reverts to it at the close of his letter. Let us hear again this godly man:

"We said to ourselves that an age or a country in which Mary received such homage could not be an accursed country and age. The horizon, it is true, is loaded with clouds, and a dark storm seems to threaten the church. But she who knew so well to-day how to dispel the mists and to cause the sun to shine upon the eyes of her saddened children, will also know well at the fitting moment how to withdraw the tempest, and to restore to the church the serenity and joy of which this festival appears to us to be the augury."

CHRISTIAN KNOWLEDGE SOCIETY.

In our last number we acknowledged to have lately received from the Society for Promoting Christian Knowledge a new edition of the Septuagint, and a Concordance to the Canonical Books of Holy Scripture and Apocrypha, and the Prayer Book version of the Psalms.

The *Septuagint* is edited by the Rev. Frederic Field, late Fellow of Trinity College, Cambridge, known as the editor of a recent edition of the *Homilies of St. Chrysostom on the Gospel of St. Mathew*. Mr. Field, at the desire of the Society, selected as the basis of his edition, the edition of the *Codex Alexandrinus*, published at Moscow in 1821, and authorized by the Synod of the Russian Church. The Moscow edition is not an exact reprint of the *Codex Alexandrinus*, but rather of Grabe's edition of that Codex, adopting his emendations and additions. Mr. Field has corrected many inaccuracies which had been transferred from Grabe's edition into that of Moscow, and has also availed himself of aids furnished by recent research for the formation of an authentic text. The most important of these is the edition of the *Codex Vaticanus*, by Cardinal Mai. In the society's edition, the chapters and verses have been arranged according to the Hebrew text, and the facility of

reference is thus greatly increased, especially in the latter half of the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah, where the transpositions and omissions in the Greek text have hitherto occasioned great inconvenience. The Apocryphal books are separated from the Canonical. The Society has selected the Moscow edition as the basis of their own, with the view of rendering the work acceptable to the Greek Church, which agrees with our own as to the Canonical books. We can strongly recommend the edition to students of the Greek text of the Old Testament.

The Society's Concordance is a great improvement on that of Cruden. The preface briefly states the particulars in which that improvement consists. 1st. Words have been omitted which would never serve as a key to a sentence, such as pronouns, prepositions, and conjunctions. These omissions allow the use of a larger type, without adding to the comparative size and expense of the book. 2nd. A Concordance to the Prayer Book version of the Psalms has been added. 3rd. The list of proper names has been largely increased, and, as the compilers hope, made complete.

GORE AND WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

List of Parochial Meetings, Gore and Wellington District. Revised at Guelph on the 9th inst.

Cayuga, Monday	21 January,	7 p m
York, Tuesday	22 " "	2 p m
Caledonia, "	" "	7 p m
Nanticoke, Wednesday	23 " "	" "
Jarvis, "	" "	" "
Glanford, Thursday	24 " "	11 a m
Barton, "	" "	7 p m
Waterdown, Friday	25 " "	2 p m
Wellington Square, Friday	" "	7 p m
O kville, Monday	28 " "	7 p m
Palermo, Tuesday	29 " "	11 a m
Milton, Monday	21 " "	7 p m
Hornby, Tuesday	22 " "	7 a m
Guelph, Tuesday	19 February	7 p m
Alma, Wednesday	20 " "	2 p m
Elora, Wednesday	20 " "	7 p m
Fergus, Thursday	21 " "	2 p m
Arthur, "	" "	7 p m
Rockwood, Monday	18 " "	7 p m
North Arthur, Friday	22 " "	2 p m
Mount Forest, "	" "	7 p m
Hamilton,	26 March,	7 p m

The Clergy are hereby notified that no deputations were appointed for the foregoing meetings, each clergyman is therefore requested to make arrangement for his own.

J. GAMBLE GEDDES,
Secretary.

BATHURST DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE CHURCH SOCIETY.

The attention of the Clergy and Laity of this District Branch is respectfully directed to the following scheme of visits—to be paid during the months of January and February next, as resolved upon at the last quarterly meeting of the 19th inst.

Friday, Village, N Gower	18 Jan.	11 a m
" " N Gower River	" "	6 p m
Tuesday, Metcalf Village,	22 " "	6 1/2 p m
Wednesday, Ottawa,	6 Feb.	service 11 a m
Annual Meeting,		7 p m

CHARLES FOREST,
Sec. B. D. B. C. S.

Metcalf, Dec. 20th, 1860.

COUNTY OF SIMCOE.

The Annual Parochial Meetings in the County of Simcoo will be held as follows:—

1861.

Thornton, Friday,	18 January,	10 a.m.
Church Hill, "	" "	2 p.m.
St. Paul's, Innisfil, Friday,	" "	6 p.m.
Mortimer's S'te'nt, Monday	21 " "	10 a.m.
Whitfield, "	" "	3 p.m.
Creemore, "	" "	7 p.m.
Nottawasaga Station, Tu'day	22 " "	11 a.m.
Collingwood, "	" "	7 p.m.

A deputation will attend all the above places, as heretofore collections will be taken up and moneys of annual subscriptions received by collectors appointed at the time.

T. BOLTON READ.
Sec. C. S. B. C. S.

Orillia, Dec. 3, 1860.

PAROCHIAL MEETINGS IN THE HOME DISTRICT.

The following scheme of meetings, to be held during the next winter, was adopted by the District Committee on the 9th inst., subject to any alterations that may be suggested, and signified to the Secretary, by the clergymen not present at its adoption:—

1861.

St. George's Church, Etobicoke,	Tuesday, January 15,	7 p.m.
Sydenham, Wednesday,	16 January,	7 p.m.
Springfield, Thursday,	17 " "	" "
Streetsville, Friday,	18 " "	" "
Woodbridge, Monday,	21 " "	" "
Brampton, Tuesday,	22 " "	" "
Bolton, Wednesday,	23 " "	" "
St. James', Albion, Thursday,	24 " "	11 a.m.
Lloydtown, "	" "	7 p.m.
Aurora, Friday,	25 " "	" "
Scarborough, Monday,	28 " "	" "
St. Paul's, do., Tuesday,	29 " "	11 a.m.
Duffin's Creek, "	" "	7 p.m.
Columbus, Wednesday,	30 " "	11 a.m.
Greenwood, "	" "	7 p.m.
Prince Albert, Thursday,	31 " "	11 a.m.
Uxbridge, "	" "	7 p.m.
Holland Landing, Monday,	18 February,	7 p.m.
Newmarket, Tuesday,	19 " "	7 p.m.
King Station, Wednesday,	20 " "	11 a.m.
Oakridge, "	" "	7 p.m.
Markham, Thursday,	21 " "	11 a.m.
Thornhill, "	" "	7 p.m.
York Mills, Friday,	22 " "	7 p.m.
Christ Church, Mimico,	time not yet fixed.	

H. C. COOPER,
Secretary.

DIocese OF HURON.

On New Year's Day a deputation from the congregation of St. Paul's Church, Woodstock, waited on the Rev. Mr. Hutchinson, curate of the parish, and presented him with a handsome purse containing One Hundred and Eighteen Dollars, and an Address, which, with Mr. Hutchinson's reply, we give below:—

ADDRESS.

DEAR MR. HUTCHINSON,—We beg your accep-