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"Christianus mihi nomen est, Catholicus vero cognomen."-"Christian is my name, but Catholic my surname."-St. Pacian, 4th Century.

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ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR.

January, 1879.

Sunday

5-Vigit of the Epiphany; semi-double, commemoration of St. Telesphore.

6-Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ, double 1st class with octave, a holiday of obligation.

ANOTHER LETTER OF HIS LORDSHIP THE RT. REV. DR. WALSH, BISHOP

OF LONDON.

ST. PETER'S PALACE.

WALTER LOCKE, ESQ.-

sure that you have successfully carried into execution this project, in the publication of the CATHOLIC RECORD. The RECORD is edited with marked ability, and in a thoroughly Catholic spirit, and we have no doubt that as long as it is under your control, it will continue to be stamped with these characteristics. Such a journal cannot fail to be productive of a vast amount of good, and whilst it continues to be conducted as it has been thus far, we cordially recommend it to the patronage of the clergy and laity of our diocese

> I am yours, Sincerely in Christ. + John Walsh, Bishop of London.

LETTER OF HIS LORDSHIP THE RIGHT REV. DR. CRINNON, BISHOP OF HAMILTON.

DIOCESE OF HAMILTON, ?

WALTER LOCKE, Esq.-

DEAR SIR,-Your agent, Mr. Gooderich, called on me yesterday to procure my recommendation for the circulation of your paper in this diocese. I willingly grant it, and earnestly hope that your enterprise will meet with the hearty encouragement of the priests and people of this diocese. Your paper is well written, and contains a great amount of Catholic news, and what is still better, it breathes a truly Catholic spirit; so desireable in these days when rebellion against Ecclesiastical Authority is so rampant. I am glad that you are free from all political parties, and therefore in a position to approve of wise legislation and to condemn the contrary. Wishing your paper an extensive cir-

1 remain, dear sir, Yours very faithfully, + P. F. CRINNON. Bishop of Hamilton

Bro. Tobias, Director of the Christian Brothers. Toronto, writes :- "We like the first numbers of the CATHOLIC RECORD very much. It bids fair to b the best Catholic journal in Ontario.

OPINIONS OF THE PRESS.

Boston Pilot.

Canada, is making a good start. It has been in the field scarcely two months, yet it shows signs of able journalism. We wish it every success.

Lockport Catholic Visitor

We are pleased to notice the establishment of a new paper, the Catholic Record-at London, goes to show that the good teacher's labor has not Ontario. Walter Locke is the publisher. It is a been in vain. large well printed sheet, and offered at \$2 a year. We wish the RECORD success.

Hamilton Times.

"THE CATHOLIC RECORD, "-This is the title of a new religious weekly paper published in London, which was found to be a long felt want in the dioceses of Western Ontario. The first number came out on October 4th last, and is an eight page sheet of creditable appearance and much promise. One page is devoted to editorial matter, and able writers have charge of that department. We wish the RECORD a rosperous career.

New York Tablet.

THE CATHOLIC RECORD, London, Ont., Canada comes to us this week. It is a bright, well edited journal, conducted with taste and judgment. It displays in its editorial department much talent and, if it continues as it has begun, we hesitate no. to say that it will be successful. It is, apart from the able manner in which it is edited, Catholic through and through.

CORRESPONDENCE.

[We wish it to be distinctly understood that we responsible for the opinions of our correspondents. All correspondence intended for publication should be addressed to the editor of the Catholic Record—not the publisher, and should reach this office not later than Tuesday morning.]

LIMERICK

[To the Editor of the Catholic Record.]

SIR.—Sitting as I am to-night it is almost impos sible to collect my thoughts, as I have so much to think of around me. I see so many evidences of Irish pluck, Irish steadfastness, and indomitable Irish courage, that it is no easy task to find a be-Contrast the pleasant home of to-day with the howling wilderness of half a century ago, and you will have a very small idea of the thoughts that whirl like some mighty torrent through my brain. I can almost hear the turbid waters of the Au Sable singing the same song as they sang when the Indian warrior woed and won his dusky bride, but now all is changed. Instead of the rude wigwam we have comfortable farm houses, with white brick walls and slate roofs, shining through the trees, numerous out-buildings, and in fact, everything that genius can invent to make light the burden of life. As you reseased, the second will be greated. life. As you pass along the ear will be greeted with the dull thud of the flail. Farther on you will hear the rumble of threshing machines; indoors you will hear the buzz of the spinning wheel, or the Dear Sir.—On the 22nd of September we approved of the project of the publication of a Catholic newspaper in this city. We see with pleasure that you have successfully carried into executate volumes. Editor and dear city readers of the Recorn, that your country cousins are not ashamed to wear the servicable home spun wrought by the kind hands of a loving mother or dear sister. But enough of sentiment, let us have some hard facts. In the of sentiment, let us have some hard facts. In the
first place we will say something about the hardy
pioneers who wrought this change, a few of their
names would not be out of piace. Such names as
Glavin, Farmer, Regan, Curtin, and Coughlin, lighthearted boys from Cork's own town, with a brogue
on their tongues as sweet as fresh butter-milk.
By the way, as you know, the North Riding of
Middlessy is recorsected by Mr. T. Coughlin, one of By the way, as you know, the North Riding of Middlesex is represented by Mr. T. Coughlin, one of your right sort of men, a genial, warm-hearted, honest man, one who grew up with the country,

honest man, one who grew up with the country, and knows its ways and has an interest in it, and his many friends feel proud in raising him as they have done to one of the highest positions it were possible for man to be placed in, in this or any other country—to rule his fellow-man.

There are two splendid churches close to one another, St. Peter's, a brick structure, and Mt. Carmel, a commodious frame church; also two separate schools, where none but competent teachers are employed, the whole under the care of Father Kelly, who governs with that loving-kindness so characteristic of the Catholic Priest—the good shepherd who istic of the Catholic Priest—the good shepherd who would give his life for his flock. I must slso mention another new church opened last summer in Exeter, also under Father Kelly's guidance. Were space to permit I would like to say more, but I fear I am trespassing too much on your valuable time. Wishing you, Mr. Editor, and the readers of The RECORD a merry Christmas, yours, MULDOON.

SEPARATE SCHOOL EXAMINATIONS.

The usual half-yearly examination of pupils atending the Roman Catholic separate schools, took place on Friday, the 20th ult. Rev. J. Bayard, Local Superintendent, presiding The forenoon was occupied in the examination of the pupils of boys' schools Nos. 1 and 2, and the afternoon in that of the girls in the separate school, under the charge of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary.

The pupils of the former named schools evinced a remarkable advance in a knowledge of the various school subjects; while those of the latter exhibited the results of that careful supervision exercised by the good Sisters. Really, it is a matter for congratulation to be aware of the progress made by these little girls in the acquisition of secular knowledge, and more particularly in the knowledge of Sacred History and Christian Doctrine, so fully and firmly implanted in their young hearts by the faithful and accomplished teachers under whom Providence has placed them. The exercises were brought to a conclusion by the distribution of The CATHOLIC RECORD, published at Ontario, prizes, after which an address was presented to the BY THE REV. FATHER O'HAIRE, AFRICAN MISSIONARY

Rev. Father Bayard. Great credit is due Mr. M. A. Leeson, the teacher of the boys' school, for the zeal and energy he manifested for the advancement of the boys under his supervision. Certainly, the smart manner in which they replied to the many questions put to them,

CORUNNA.

The Christmas examination of the children attending the Roman Catholic separate school of Corunna was held on the 20th ult., Rev. B. J. Wat-Corunna was held on the 20th ult., Rev. B. J. Watters, Local Superintendent, Rev. J. O'Connor, Messrs, J. Cruise, P. M. Laughlin, and J. Moylan conducted the examination which, I may add, reflected much credit on the teacher, Miss Houahoe, who, by the bye, has been brought up under the training of the Father Matthew, of Canada: The learned and zealous Father Stafford, of Lindsay. It was truly pleasing to note the marked abilities of the children, which drew from the examiners words of praise and approbation.

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After the following programme was gone through, the Rev. Father Watters distributed the various prizes, exorting each proud successful candidate for school honors to preserve in assiduity, and to

for school honors to preserve in assidance, walk in the paths of faith and virtue.

Following is the programme: Opening chorus, "Welcome;" declamation, "The Inquiry," May Zine; declamation, "Wreck of the Hesperus," Western Millian engage graphy; Christian Hymn, through and through. It has our warmest wishes Minnie Milligan: geography; Christian Hynn, for its future.

"Come to Jesus" chorus; grammar; arithmetic;

The examination of the separate school was held on Monday, the 23d ult., Rev. J. O'Conner, Father Watter's popular and zealons assistant presided. After the distribution of prizes, one of the pupils delivered an address, characterised by its extensiveness and eloquence, which conveyed to the reverend gentleman and to Miss Enight, the popular teacher, the thanks and good wishes of the children. Miss Enight deserves great praise for the happy manner Enight deserves great praise for the happy manner in which she conducts this school. She has been conducting this school for the last two years, and has given every satisfaction. We hope the people of Lampton, for their own interests, will be wise enough to engage her, services as long as possible.

Apropos to the subject of separate schools it may be added that the Trustees of Roman Catholic separate schools, and the parents of children attending them, have many and heavy responsibilities of which very often they seem to be totally igno-rant, or, being cognizant of them, forget to regard them; for, as is often the case, the former treat with the utmost indifference these great interests, the care of which was intrusted to them, while many of the latter drag up the children with whom God has blessed them as they would a beast of bur-den, seeming to ignore the fact that to the children of men was given a free will, which with due care might be turned to God's greater glory; but if left to its own inspiration, unrestrained by the saving principles of a Catholic education, will be prosti-

Indeed, at an examination which I attended some few years ago, a boy when asked "What are the uses for which a boy is made?" informed the examiners that they were to split wood and search for

Now, this is too true. These juveniles are too often made to work before their time, the parents forgetting that the mental faculties should be exercised, if not before, at least in conjunction with, the physical powers. Thus the animal passions of the boy are fostered: they he boy are fostered; they grow apace with his rears, until this great world seems a blank, which his gnorance will not permit him to change into the work of an Almighty hand. Poor soul! He passes he cradle to the grave in the pursuit of ani-casures, or in the vilest drudgery; or, permal pleasures, or in the vilest drudgery; or, perhaps, in the cell of the criminal, always cursing the past, and linking with that dreary past the names of faithless it not merciless parents, who aided in his destruction. Therefore, let neither Trustee nor parent neglect the duty which he owes to youth: et all your powers of mind and body be excited to et within the reach of those over whom you are placed a refuge from the storms that ever and anon

hurch on earth.
In a word, let Trustees and people fufil a trust eposed in them, and in other years they can look ack with pleasure and look forward with confidence. Catholic parents, then, who have the eternal welfare of their children at heart, should see that those whom they elect as Trustees would be good, practical Catholics. A man who is careless of and faithless to his own family—in a word, forgetful of the salvation of his own soul—is not safe to be placed over children in any charge whatsoever, and ac salvation of his own sour is a whatsoever, and laced over children in any charge whatsoever, and laced over children in any charge whatsoever, and traversed from the day when Christ said, "Go form, teach all nations," even to this day we see that the promist "I am with you always" has ever had its promist "I am with you always" has ever had its true end when he himself sets at defiance, as much as in him lies, the words of Christ, the True Edu-cator. "Let him who will not hear the Church be cator. Ther fifth who will not hear the Church be unto thee as a heathen and a publican." Surely, surely, Catholic parents would not wish to have such men at the head of schools in which their young children are to be taught. Besides, another thing we must remark. Children are governed by thing we must remark. Children are governed by their surroundings. If those who are appointed to be their guides give bad example and hearken not to the voice of God and His Church, in vain will they seek to bring up children in the way they should go. Moreover, we know young children are far more ready to follow example, than what is told them in theory, the more so especially if those who would teach them, do not carry out their principles. them in theory, the more so especially if those who would teach them, do not carry out their principles in sound practice. Let us hope that Irish Catholics will take a little honest pride in the welfare of their children, that they will educate them in such a manner that in after years they may be found holding honorable positions in this rising noble Dominion of Canada.

Dean McNamara, of Limerick, on the occasion of the consecration of the late Right Rev. Dr. Griffiths, first Bishop of South Africa, alluding to the tri-umphs of the Church, said:—"Of all the miracles that followed the preaching of the Apostles which excited towards them the admiration of mankind, the first and most transcendent in the eyes of the sage and the philosopher was the contrast between the end and the means of accomplishing so vast an undertaking as the foundation of the Christian field. indertaking as the foundation of the Christian faith—means so contemptible and an end altogether supernatural and Divine. Apostles more remark-able for their dullness even than for their obscurity; twelve fishermen incapable of comprehending the plainest discourses of their Divine Master—such were the manifestly weak, the utterly inadequate contemptible instruments selected by Christ to introduce into the world a change in its annals. At first their mission and that of their successors was met by savage violence, furious per-secution, and bitter calumny, so that dark clouds hung as a canopy over the infant Church in deep and terrible a-pect; but in time the golden rays of Catholic truth burst through the blackened atmosphere, and displayed to a wondering world the Church's majestic form. In vain were the agitated waves of subsequent hereses driven against the Church. She sailed nobly on, leaving the foaming billows to be swallowed up in fearful fury by the ocean that gave them birth. And now, after 1,800 years of battling with error for the life of truth, we behold that Church as the only one which has survived the revolutions of time, outlived the fall of

"Holly and Ivy Girl," by Miss Kate Hickey; Christian doctrine.

LAMBTON.

The examination of the separate school was held celestial, covering her with the successive glories of eighteen centuries, not one of which has passed without furnishing some new, some grand, some miracul-ous evidence of the holiness, the power, the divinity of the Catholic religion."

> great and mighty of the earth rose up, the philo-sopher in his pride, the tyrant in his wrath; villages with their populations, cities with their multitudes. The whole world was arrayed in hostility against them, yet they succeeded by meekness and forbear ance, by truth and conviction, they laid prostrate the superststions of ages, and on the rains thereof creeted the Cross and the triumphant Gospel of a

erueified Saviour.

"The indefectibility of the Church," says Faber,
"is the standing miracle of history. The Church is
from the Holy Ghost; it cannot fail, it is not in its
power to die. Heresies cannot corrode it; persecutions cannot waste it; Kings cannot trample the
life out of it, however much they may trample it
under foot. It passes through such extremes and
yet such opposite vicissitudes as no human institution could survive. Every defeat is somehow a
victory, and its triumphal road always lies up Calvictory, and its triumphal road always lies up Cal vary." Faber ("Devotion to the Church," 1861.)

The great historian Macauley says—"The Church of Rome saw the commencement of all the governments and of all the ecclesiastical establishments that now exist in the world, and we feel no assur-ance that she is not destined to see the end of them She was great and respected before the Saxon set foot in Britain, before the Frank had crossed the Rhine, when Grecian eloquence still flourished in Antioch, when idols were still worshipped in the temple of Mecca, and she may still exist in undi-minished vigour when some traveller from New Zealand shall in the midst of a vast solitude take his stand on a broken arch of London Bridge and sketch the ruins of St Paul's,"

Allow me to cite the touching words of the author of the "Dolorous Way of the Popes," who on page 10 of the introduction to his volume says—"If our grief is profound on the right of Good Friday, it is also replete with hope and with faith, for we know that we shall not have long to wait before we shall be consoled by the first ray of the sun of the Resurrection praced a refuge from the storms that ever and anon-sweep over the spiritual world, as it were, to draw man away from his Creator. Remember that the realization of all hopes beyond the grave is only to be attained by sortic adherence to those principles of a sound Catablic ducation which were laid down by God Himself, and which are held priceless by His Church on earth. the Saviour over and over again, and to consign him to the tomb in the person of his Vicars; but at each effort the Papacy disengages itself from the linen shroud, the aromatics and the fillets in which it was enveloped; its cicatrised feet push back the stone of the sepulchre; its head, pierced with thorns, rises resplendent to a new life; and its hands, perforated with nails, are once more stretched out to bless both the city and the world." When we look to be back upon the rugged road the Catholic Church has traversed from the day when Christ said, "Go forth, hardships to know that their work has been appre-Patent fulfilment.

When we view the various battle-fields upon by the Jagis.

which Paganism, Heresy, Schism, Mahometanism, Protestantism, Rationalism, pretended science and political society have driven the Catholic Church to give "an account of the faith that is in her"—when we behold every manner of false testimony adduced against her, see her convicted, condemned, executed, yet still living, we cannot but ery out, in the lan-guage of one of England's greatest writers, "This is the everlesting Courch." She has confronted her guage of one of England's greatest writers, "This is the exclusing Church." She has confronted her enemies, sometimes singly, sometimes collectively; their weapons have been derision, calumny, and the sword; hers charity, truth, and the Cross. Many of her opponents have planted their flags in mockery upon her citadels. They are defunct, she lives. Even while I address yon, Catholic brethren, here, in South Africa, where we are at least free, the Church is covaried in a flags struggle, on the Cro Church is engaged in a fierce struggle on the Con-tinent of Europe with the enemies of law and order, of Jesus, and of God. But, treamen, and courage. What has happened to the Church in all past ordeals will happen in this—her enemies will die, and she will live. The Catholic Church met Paganism in the day of its power and of her weakness; she presented the Cross when pierced with the dagger. She bled profusely under the inflictions of deep and cruel wounds. While the warm blood spouted from her veins she was forced to crawl into the bowels of the earth. While the early pagan Roman Emperors kept their dripping swords suspended over naysteries in the Catacombs. Her Divine founder before said "The birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has not whereon have nests, but the Son of Man has not whereon bryine founder before said. The birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has not whereon to lay His head." She was moulded after the same model. Herod drove Christ, as it were, out of his own creation, to hide Himself in Egypt; and Herod's followers drove her into caves and vaults. Herod's followers drove her into caves and vaults. There she was buried, but not smothered, for she was verified by God. The gore of her martyred children she regarded as a fructifying treasure, it was shed for justice and God; and therefore, far from thinning her ranks, it became, as one of Rome's historians acknowledges, the seed of converts. The bugle of victory was at last sounded. She came forth from her hidden life, her garments torn by her struggles and crimsoned by the blood of her sons and daughters, but her form graceful, her face brilliant, her crown dazzling. Thus, paganism fell down at her feet, the temples of false deities submitted to her use, the idols crumbled into dust. She mounted the Cross on high, and advanced to meetthe children of her former enemies with the kiss of peace and mercy.

kiss of peace and mercy.

Thus were the words of the fourteenth verse of the sixtieth chapter of Isaias verified in her regard:

"And the children of them that afflict thee shall come bowing down to thee, and all that slandered thee shall worship the steps of thy feet, and shall call

Whilst the Church was in the tomb of the Cata-Whilst the Church was in the tomb of the Catacombs, she had also her internal enemies to contend with. Heresies arose among her own children, whom she had fed at her maternal breast. To use the words of the psalmist, "Those who sat at her table and partook of sweet meals with her have shown her great treachery." After her first great triumph she had also to encounter potent and formidable heresies, but she never compromised. Her mission was and is "to teach all things whatsoever Christ taught her." She dared not, she could not countenance error; therefore, her eve was ever Brennan in his "Ecclesiastical History," page 445 observes:—"One of the principal characteristics of Christianity is that "its truths had been diffused over the nations of the earth without the help of either wealth, power, or persecution. A few individuals bereft of all human aid, but assisted by Heaven, went forth to plant the Cross and to proclaim a gospel every maxim of which was in direct opposition to all the long-cherished predjudices and favorite passions of mankind. The sword was drawn; the great and mighty of the earth rose up, the philosopher in his page, the content of the principal characteristics of Christ taught her." She dared not, she could not countenance error: therefore, her eye was ever watchful over truth. She never took the part of "the dumb d gs of the house of Israel;" and, hence as heresy after heresy sprang up, she smote them, she shook them off, disowned them, branded them as counterfeits and libels upon the Christian name. She copied after her Divine model, who addressed the enemies of virtue as by porties and the offspring of vipers, and who what ped from P's Father's temple those who outraged its sanctity aving—"My house is a house of of vipers, and who whip ed from Ps Father's temple those who outraged its sanctity sying—"My house is a house of prayer, and you't we made it a den of thieves."

In the eighth century there arose an enemy who "vowed vengeance" upon the religion and civilization of the world, an enemy bending under the weight of power, full of zeal in an unholy cause. I allude to Mahomet, whose followers were powerfully appressive and generally successful from the foundation of his system down to the Battle of

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

AFGHANISTAN.

Shaturgardan Pass, December 9.—We are this orning on the point of entering the Shaturgardan ss. Hitherto we have met with no resistance whatever nor do we anticipate that we shall meet with any to-day, as the natives all say that the Afghans have entirely abandoned their entrench-ments. We shall-to-day arrive at the top of the Pass, and shall then have accomplished our work, and shall return, a part of the force to Peiwar, the

est to Khurum.
Our march here has for the most part lain through thick pine forests, which have sheltered us much from the wind. Had the road been an exposed one the men would have suffered very severely from the cold, the thermometer standing at present only five degrees below zero. In spite of the fact that the men are not sufficiently clad for such a temperature as this, they have stood the cold well, although there has, of course, been a certain amount of ill

ness.

Everything we see or hear confirms the accounts of the villagers of Ali Kheyl of the complete panic of the Afghan army, and the fact that they have abandoned all the naturally formidable positions through which we have passed, and will not make a stand even at the Shaturgardan, speaks for itself of the utter despondency which has seized them. At Hazardarakht and at other points along the road several dead bodies of Cabulee were found

among the trees. These were some of those who were wounded at Peiwar, but who fled as long as they could, and doubtless died of cold when they could proceed no further.

General Roberts has received congratulatory telegrams from the Queen and from the Viceroy. These have given great satisfaction to our little army, and, as one of the men said, are as good as

The Ghiljies, to the south of the Shaturgardan, show the same friendly disposition as is manifested

An expedition which had been sent to punish the Merzankhel tribe, who cut off four men, has de the Merzankhei tribe, who cut off four men, has destroyed the principal fort at Chiari without meeting any resistance. The prompt punishment of the tribe has produced a salutary effect.

London, December 28.—The Times says the reported arrival of Yakoob Khan at Jellalabad cannot

yet be regarded as a complete submission of the Afghans as a nation to the English terms, yet it may

be accepted as a sign of the willingness of a large and powerful section to treat with the British. London, December 29.—A correspondent with the Khurum column telegraphs that General Roberts convoked the principal inhabitants of Kuram Valley at Peiwar Pass and Ali Khegal, and informed them that the Ameer's rule had passed away for ever, and henceforth they must look to the Empress of India.

The report that Yakoob Khan arrived at Jellala bad seems doubtful. There is considerable contra-diction in the reports about the whereabouts of Shere Ali. It is runnored he carried away thirty lacs of rupees, and is going to St. Petersburg to appeal to Europe.

STATUE BLESSED.

The beautiful statue of St. Joseph, which was placed on a pedestal in the Convent grounds, Chatham, on the 19th of last November was blessed on the 3rd ult. by Rev. Father William Superior of the Franciscan Fathers of Chatham.

The statue came from France, and is six foot high. It represents St. Joseph with the Infant Jesus, also the lily in his hand. The statue adds very much to the appearance of the grounds, which are nicely

The statue is a gift of the former pupils, and other friends of the instution.

Wednesday being the feast of the Circumcision

of our Blessed Lord and a holy day of obligation, the Masses at the two churches were the same as Sunday. At St. Peters, at last Mass his Lordship the Bishop preached a very impressive sermon taking his hearers through the stream of life in his usual eloquent manner, concluding his discourse by exhorting all and everyone to make use of the time now youchsafed to them, reminding them that it is the everlasting wail of regret of the damned that they had not coincided with the graces bestowed during life. Finally, he wished the congregation every good gift and the grace of final perseverance, and a happy death. After which he imparted his episcopal benediction.