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CATHOLIC CALENDAR

APRIL, 1884. THURSDAY, 3.—Feria. FRIDAY, 4.—Seven Dolours of the B. V. M.

ACCOUNTS.

This week we begin mailing accounts to subscribers in arrears, and trust that our friends will respond with their usual generosity.

MR. BLAKE'S great speech in opposition to the Orange Incorporation Bill, which has been issued by 'The Post Printing and Publishing Company' in pamphlet form.

PENOR ARTHUR, the Duke of Connaught, has fallen into discredit with the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in England.

GENERAL LEARD, the commander of the Canadian militia, who left Canada for England, a few weeks ago, on a three months' leave of absence.

THERE is to be no more milk and water Home Rules in the Irish party after the next general elections, and no more material for renegades.

SIR HECTOR LANGVIE, who has been the leader of the Quebec Conservatives for many years and has filled the post acceptably and with credit.

THE Italian Government has had to back down in its act of spoliation of the Propaganda property as far as the American College is concerned.

THE first session of the Provincial Legislature of Ontario closed on March 25th with the usual formalities.

ions of the now celebrated bribery case will serve to make the session just closed a memorable one, and it is generally conceded that the hopes of defeating Mr. Mowat's Administration during the existence of the present Legislature have vanished.

His Holiness Pope Leo XIII. has taken a strong stand against the revolutionary policy of the Italian Government towards the Holy See. The Holy Father, in an allocution to the Cardinals, denounces the violations of the rights of the Church, which are perpetrated from day to day and with increasing boldness.

THE Gladstone Government was almost upset Friday night by an adverse vote in the House of Commons, having saved its neck by the extinction of a majority of eleven.

SEVERAL members of the House of Lords headed by the fierce and rabid Marquis of Salisbury, have openly announced their intention of throwing out the Franchise Bill, if it passes the House.

THERE are about 50,000 Post Offices in the United States. Two thousand two hundred of these are so considerable as to be filled by appointment of the President; the others are in the gift of the Postmaster-General.

THE Rev. J. TERRY, of Toronto, has been elected by acclamation to the presidency of the University College Literary Society in the Queen City.

THE Rev. Father Tsey, who has been the leader of the Quebec Conservatives for many years and has filled the post acceptably and with credit, is said, has been offered a Lieutenant Governorship and has the matter under consideration.

THE Quebec Chronicle has a grudge against Mr. Davis, the popular and efficient superintendent of the North Shore Railway.

North Shore, is of a piece with its whole career and reputation for many years past, and when the public gets an insight into the motives of that conduct, it will be in a position to understand what little value it is to be placed upon our contemporary's utterances and to what depth of coldness and malice it is capable of descending.

FRIENDS OR FOES

As you will be understood, the Tory press are by no means pleased over the result of Hon. Edward Blake's effort of proving that the Orange Association exists for the double purpose of advancing the political interests of Tory schemers and of antagonizing and assailing the Catholic Church.

THE 'Evening Canadian's' VALEDICTORY. After an existence of about eighteen months, the Toronto Evening Canadian ceased publication on Friday last.

With the present issue, the Evening Canadian ceases to exist. It does not succumb for lack of support either to its subscription list or to its advertising columns.

AS the debate on the immigration policy of the Government, Mr. Curran, M.P., made an excellent speech. He said the amendment of Mr. Patterson was purely ad captivum and based on a false supposition.

THE ELECTIONS.

Last Wednesday's elections in the four counties of Three Rivers, Chateauguay, Jacques Cartier and Two Mountains have resulted in sending Messrs. Turcotte, Robidoux, Boyer and Beauchamp to the Local House.

NEW MEXICO'S SYMPATHY WITH THE IRISH PEOPLE.

The example of the Parliament of Canada in officially placing itself on record as being in sympathy with the Irish people in their demands and struggle for Home Rule, has just been followed and even surpassed by the Legislature of New Mexico.

Immediately after prayer on March 17th last, unanimous consent was asked to introduce the following resolution of sympathy with the Irish people, which was, beyond doubt, the most significant celebration of St. Patrick's Day on this continent.

WHEREAS, The people of Ireland have been for centuries cursed with the most oppressive laws, enforced upon them by a Government claiming to be civilized, and

WHEREAS, Said Government has ever been deaf to the cries of the people for justice, and even refuse them the right to assemble and express their wrongs; therefore, be it

Resolved, By the House of Representatives of the Territory of New Mexico, that a vote of this House be given, expressing our sympathy with the suffering and disarmed people of Ireland, our kindred in race and religion, in the unequal struggle to obtain self-government from an armed tyrant; and that we consider any means that nature affords may be justly used by the Irish people to obtain their God-given right, and here from the land that gave birth to Montezuma we send them our expression of good will upon this their national day, and wish them the speedy fruition of their hopes.

THE rules were suspended to admit of the passage of the resolution which was unanimously adopted, and on motion of Mr. Teofillo Chavez it was ordered translated and printed. The most remarkable feature of the resolution is in the readiness of the new Mexican Legislature to approve and favor the use of "any means" by the Irish people to secure an acquiescence in their demands.

MR. CURRAN ON IMMIGRATION.

DURING the debate on the immigration policy of the Government, Mr. Curran, M.P., made an excellent speech. He said the amendment of Mr. Patterson was purely ad captivum and based on a false supposition to the conduct and motives of the Government.

THE CONFISCATION OF THE PROPAGANDA PROPERTY.

ARCHBISHOP Gibbons of Baltimore, in the early part of last week, issued a pastoral, in which His Grace urged the United States Government to interfere on behalf of the Catholic citizens of the country, in preventing the confiscation of the American College, a part of the Propaganda property, by the Italian Government.

seek homes in the Eastern Townships of the Province of Quebec, where Mr. John Levesque, the immigration agent for that Province, had informed him, there was plenty of work for all who desired to learn the farming habits of the country, and where they could earn enough of money, if they did not wish permanently to reside in the older provinces, to purchase for themselves a homestead in the North-West.

CANADIAN CONSULS.

There is a growing feeling in the country and among our legislators that the Dominion should not be called upon to pay salaries, and especially large ones, to officials appointed by the Imperial Government, such for instance as the Governor-General. To this England opposes the contention that Canada should pay such salaries, since it has all the advantages of the British consular service abroad; but considering that the Dominion possesses 7,312 vessels, with a tonnage of 1,260,777, she is quite capable of sustaining all the consuls she wants solely out of the amount her shipping pays into the coffers of British consulates.

Moreover, Canadians cannot expect that the British Government will instruct its consuls to show partiality to the Dominion, which is only one of England's forty-five colonies, many of which have conflicting interests not only in commerce but in the matter of emigration, notably, for instance, Australia, the Cape, and Van Diemen's Land, which are all bidding against the Dominion for German, French, and other European colonists.

THE 'WORLD' AND CANADIAN BISHOPRIES. We regret to find that our esteemed contemporary, the Toronto World, has gone back on its record for fairness and common sense, in penning and publishing the following brief article in its columns:—

THE 'WORLD' AND CANADIAN BISHOPRIES.

"The good Catholics of Hamilton are getting ready to receive their new bishop, Mr. Garberry, who comes direct to them from Rome. On a previous occasion the World voiced the opinion of a prominent section of the Catholic Church in Canada when it said that there were lots of priests in Canada competent for the office of bishop, and that it was merely because we were Catholics that the Pope rewarded his faithful priests in Ireland with bishoprics in Canada. He does not send Irish priests to the dioceses in the United States or German ones into France. Nor should he any more send Irish priests to Canadian sees. Priests who have been born, bred and trained in Canada will make better bishops, understand their high office better than the imported article, and that for obvious reasons."