outstript in the use of our own most valued aids to devotion. We must

take care that the adoption of them by

non Catholics does not lead us to value

them less, but rather provoke us to

jealousy, and make us appreciate the more that which is our own.

Let us ask the Blessed Virgin to

obtain for us grace to draw near to the Cross with her and the beloved

disciple, that we may be counted worthy with them to receive the ful-fillment of his promise: "I will pour

out upon the house of David, and upon

spirit of grace and of prayers, and they shall look on Me whom they have

pierced, and they shall mourn for Him

as one that mourneth for an only son, and shall grieve for Him as the manner

is to grieve over the death of the first

prayer than the contemplation of the

delivered Him up for us all, how hath He not also, with Him, given us all things?" It assures us of God's love

for each one of us, for "greater love than this no man hath, that a man lay

down his life for those whom he loves." It emboldens us to offer Him, as the

only return that we can make, the life-

the flesh, I live in the faith of the Son

propitiation for our sins.

no guilt beyond the reach of the abso-

ARCHBISHOP OF ST. BONIFACE:

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Toronto Globe, March 21.

of the chancel were canopies of red and white, while banners, flags and

streamers abounded wherever architec-

ure permitted. The high altar, which

candles and many bright ornaments,

while brilliant flowers in lavish decora

nsecration of Most Rev. Mgr. Lan-

Ceremony - Presentation and Ad-

lution of the Church.

" There is no more incentive to

the inhabitants of Jerusalem,

fillment of his promise:

Sodality Hymn For March.

Great Patron of the Church of Christ!
Blest Guardian of our Lord!
Whose faith and hope and love sufficed
To gain thy high award,
Oh, hear our prayers, and pray for us
To Him who honored thee!

Once thou thy kind protection gave
To thy pure Virgin spouse.
Now we thy supplication crave
For aid to keep our yows
Oh, hear our prayer, and pray for us
To Him who blessed thee!

We ask of God to grant us faith
As steadfast as thine own;
That all our life, and at our death,
We lean on Him alone.
Oh, hear our prayer, and pray for us
To Him who followed thee!

We ask of God the holy hope, We ask of too the first stope.
So glorious in thy soul,
That we with every doubt may cope,
Nor fear the judgment scroll.
Oh, hear our prayer, and pray for us
To Him who trusted thee."

We beg of God to send us love
Like that which flamed thy heart,
That we, with erown and palm, above
Become of Heaven a part.
Oh, hear our prayer, and pray for us
To Him who cherished thee!

-WILLIAM ALFRED JENKS.

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LEAGUE OF THE SACRED HEART.

General Intention for April.

THE SPIRIT OF PENANCE.

Messenger of the Sacred Heart. As well nowadays as of old when St. Paul preached to the Athenians, "God declareth unto man, that all should everywhere do penance," (Acts xvii. 30. "Unless," said our Lord, "you do

penance you shall all likewise perish. And this necessity must not be understood only of penance as a sacrament instituted by Jesus Christ, and the reception of which, in desire at least, is indispensable for salvation after a single mortal sin. Of more absolute necessity still for all men are the acts of this virtue of penance which the nature of sin, the very nature of man and the Divine perfections demand imperatively of every sinner. But, on the other hand, what is not, through the intervention of God's in finite mercy, the wondrous efficacy of these same acts! They cleanse the soul from the stains of sin, reconcile it with its Creator, and give it back its right to the heavenly heritage. If so, what should not be said of the Spirit of Penance which prompts us to multiply in every conceivable way these so

In fact, and such is the teaching of all divines, the spirit of penance far surpasses the virtue of penance: the divine, a supernatural instinct which sweetness even in the throes of repentance and in the rigors of Christian aus-

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how much more should not the Associates of the League strive to acquire it.

The spirit of prayer and the spirit of zeal, and especially a true devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, which are the three essential elements of our Apostleship, viewing the actual condition of mankind, would be quite in conceivable without the spirit of pen-

Pained at the sight of the terrible blows which sin, ever on the increase, unceasingly aims at divine love, the faithful Associate is urged on by his zeal to cleanse his own heart from the least blemish capable of wounding the chaste regards of his Heavenly Lover; and this can be effected by penance

It is also the first requirement of the "For," says St. spirit of prayer. "For," says St. Cyprian, "the first prayer and the Cyprian, first offering to be made to God-the Saviour Himself has proclaimed-is to be reconciled with our brother, and, for reasons more cogent, to be more and more reconciled, through the spirit of penance, with our God. The example of Cain and Abel makes it The clear for us that God considers much less the material offering than the heart that makes the offering.

Finally, since the Apostleship is the League of the Sacred Heart, all the Associates should endeavor to awaken and to foster more and more in their hearts the spirit of atonement, and, as a consequence, the spirit of penance. It is, indeed, to each one of them that that heart-rending complaint is addressed, which is in a measure the summary of all the moving appeals of the Divine Heart : "Is there no one to have pity on Me, and who is willing to condole with Me and have a share in My sorrows in the pitiful condition in which now especially I am left by

prayers, work and sufferings of this Divine Heart, in union with the Holy fore, treasures up in his heart every

Sacrifice of the Mass, in reparation of all sins, and for all requests presented through the Apostleship of Prayer; in particular for the gift of the Spirit of Penance, that thereby I may strength en within me the spirit of prayer and zeal and a true devotion to Thy Sacred

Life of Blessed Margaret Mary

Heart. Amen.

MEDITATION ON THE PASSION.

The Bishop of Clifton, England, in that part of his pastoral dealing with the recommendation of frequent meditation on the Passion, says:

There are now brought within the reach of the poorest admirable books of meditation on the Passion, by the help of which each, according to his capacity and individual taste, may bring home to himself the lessons for which that Passion has been recorded for us in such minute detail. We have some-times been reproached with dwelling so much on the details of our Lord's Passion, instead of fixing our attention exclusively on the benefits of that Redemp-tion which was effected for us at such We are not careful to free a cost. ourselves from this reproach. The late Cardinal Wiseman has expressed the mind of the Catholic Church on this matter in language which can hardly be surpassed. He says:

"There is nothing more decisive of the respective claims of Catholic and Protestant to be the religion of the New Testament than the manner in which they treat its most solemn portion, that which records the final act of Redemption. The very essence of modern Protestantism is to regard this greatest

act as a mere abstraction. The mind is concentrated on the sole apprehen sion of an accomplished atonement and its instrumentality by death. By a process eminently selfish, the price and its purchase are transferred to the individual soul, appropriated by it, and thus viewed extraneously to Him whose they really are. There is no contemplation in the Protestant view; it is one of mere self-application. To contrast if with the Catholic idea, and so illustrate both, perhaps a simple par-

The remembrance of past failures and able may be useful. "Let us imagine to ourselves two The remembrance of past failures and abuse of grace may discourage us, but He has said, "Him that cometh to Me, I will not cast out." The chains of long and evil habit may have bound us, and caused us to be led captive by the devil at his will, and we may cry out in our misery. "Unhappy man spendthrifts, for whose debts a loving father has given bond. The day of reckoning arrives, and the surety comes willingly to pay the ransom.
One son stands by, grateful indeed, but cold and calculating. He looks not at the huge sum that is counted out, but is eagerly waiting for the last count the table told, and then countingly out in our misery, "Unhappy man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?" The answer comes back, "The grace of God, through Jesus Christour Lord." There coin to be told, and then exultingly cries out 'I am free,' and goes his way. But there is another besides him who is no sin for which the Blood of God the Son has not atoned; no disease bewatches with the intensest gaze every particle of the precious offering, be yond the skill of that great Physician; cause he knows what it has cost his former is, so to speak the development, and full productive efflorescence of the latter; it is a tion undergone, or some cruel humilia-tion endured. On one he reads his enables us to experience a charm and father's hunger, on another his abject the store is brought out, that it was gained at the expense of calumny and gained at the expense of carriers gained for by all, and if it be eminently becoming in the ordinary Christian who loss of those most dear to him. At has meditated seriously on the hein every instalment he looks into his dear ousness of sin, and on the fearful parent's countenance, and sees its havoc it continues to work in souls, manly sorrow and its varying emotions as these same recollections pass over his heart; and though the smile of love is on his lips as the last golden drachma falls from his hand at the thought of what he has achieved for his children, even this is more heart-rending to the tender one of the two; and he almost loses all sense of his own liberation in the anguish inflicted by its price. He thinks not of himself, for love is not selfish. He goes not away singing, 'I am ransomed, I am free; but he rushes to his father's feet, exclaiming. 'Thou has pur-chased me; I am thine!'

"Such we believe to be the true difference between the Protestant and the Catholic mode of considering our Saviour's Passion. The one looks at it with an inquisitive eye, the other with the eye of love. To the Protestant it would have been the same if the simple act of death had been versided. simple act of death had been recorded, and its preliminary suffering had been suppressed. Not one emotion would have been lost to him, any more than, in his system, any advantage. What does the cruel agony in Gethseman give him? It does not redeem him. What does he gain by the welts and gashes of the Roman scourges? They do not ransom him. What profits him the mock coronation and its insulting homage? It does not save him. And then, what can Mary and John do for him at the Cross's foot? He declares he does not care for them. matters it to him if the seamless garment be diced for, or rent? It bears no deep mystery of faith to him, No; only let him secure that moment when the last breath passes over the Victim's lips, and it is enough-for it is the

atonement. "Yet all that we have briefly enumerated was suffered for our sakes, and recorded for our profit. Although the last piece completed our ransom, all that preceded it composed the sum. O Jesus, through the most pure For, surely, our divine Redeemer did Heart of Mary, I offer Thee all the nought in vain, nor aught superfluously. He was generous, indeed, but not wasteful. The Catholic, there-

LONDON, ONTARIO, SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 1895. chancel was crowded even to inconsmallest gift of love, where the smallest venience with Archbishops, Bishops and clergy, who, in the different vest We are only too glad to admit that, ments of their ranks and orders, pre since the publication of this beautiful passage, in 1851, a change for the better has taken place in the minds of sented a most brilliant scene. consecration service was carried out with all the feeling of the beautiful ceremony by Archbishop Fabre. The devout Protestants. The wide dif-fusion of Catholic books of devotion, sermon was preached in French by though filtered through Anglican adaptations, has accustomed many to Mons. Begin of Quebec, and was give in the middle of Mass in its usual place, after the gospel. The speaker referred to the unusual significance of systematic meditation on the Passion, and has resulted in the imitation of almost every variety of Catholic practice. In fact, we Catholics must the ordination, and dwelt on the ex tending power of the Church at the take heed to our ways, that we be not

present day. When the newly-consecrated Archbishop arose to give his benediction to the people, he first saluted his father. who was sitting in the front row of the congregation, and then, accompanied by assistant Bishops, passed all around the church, bestowing his blessing upon those assembled. The booming of cannon announced the conclusion of the ceremony, and the Archbishop and his party, on leaving the cathedral, repaired to Provencher Academy for

lunch At 5 o'clock in the afternoon a reception was extended to the new Archbishop by his former congregation of St. Mary's Church, Winnipeg. The edifice was crowded to the doors long before Archbishop Langevin and party arrived. Bishop Gabrielle of Ogdens burg preached a grand sermon from the 18th chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, tracing the ceremony of the Passion of Jesus Christ. It is the ground of our hope, for "He that spared not even His own Son, but ordaining of Bishops from the time of the first Pope, Peter the Apostle. the conclusion of His Lordship's ser-mon Mr. N. Bawlf read an address from the English Catholics, and Mr. Genest from the French Catholics to the new Archbishop. Atterwards Mr. Richard presented a watch and chain set with diamonds, which had been bought by the parishioners of St. Mary's, as a tribute of respect and love for their long devotion of our hearts, all that we are and all that we can do ; so that former priest and confessor.

His Grace Archbishop Langevin reeach of us may say with the grateful Apostle, "The life that I now live in plied with feeling to the addresses, and thanked the donors of the handsome souvenir which he had received, assur of God, Who loved me, and de-livered Himself for me." The long ing the people of St. Mary's of his un-failing love and devotion to themand dark catalogue of our sins may well appal us, but "He is selves. Referring to the school battle, addressing the visiting Archbishops, Bishops and clergy, he said : "My Lords, Most Reverend Archbishops, Right Reverend Bishops, and honorable member of the clergy, I feel

proud to day of my children from Mary's; they have battled nobly. , the fight has been hard, but in the face of even the hardest circum stances they have not for one moment stances they have not for one moments one discontended in the compelled Mr. Sadily of accordingly recompleted Mr. Sadily was accordingly recompleted Mr. Sadily of according Mr. Sadily of accordingly recompleted Mr. Sadily of according Mr. Sadily of accordingly recompleted Mr. Sadily according to the sadily of according Mr. Sadily of a been discouraged : no, they went on, and to-day we are at the point of triumph. They have been but too Winnipeg, March 20. — (Special.)
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Vinnipeg, March 20. — (S was one of imposing pomp and cere-monial. The event will be one of the landmarks in the history of the North-West, and it is safe to say that never before has assembled here as large coterie of Church dignitaries as that at St. Boniface. Every Catholic took the greatest interest in the solemnity of the occasion, and each tried to vie with the other to do most towards honoring the new Archbishop. Monday afternoon the pupils of St. Mary's Academy tendered a reception to the new Archbishop, and in the evening his Grace took possession of the cathe-dral and was installed on his throne, the priests making the promises of obedience to the Archbishop, after which an address was read by the mayor of St. Boniface. At 9:30 on Tuesday consecration services were held at the cathedral in St. Boniface. Mgr. Fabre, Archbishop of Montreal, officiated, as-sisted by Mgr. Duhamel, Archbishop of Ottawa, and Bishop Grandin, of St. Albert, N. W. T. A large number of dignitaries of the East and West were There are some here who do not be also present, and the Cathedral, which long to us, and I will include them in is famous the world over by Whittier's peem, "The Voyageur," was crowded to suffocation by the laity, who assembled to witness the ceremony. It was the first event of the kind that has ever taken place in this country, the cessor when he said that those who did consecrated in Rome. The cathedral was profusely decorated. The pillars were draped in white, bound with spirals of bright green. On each side of the chancel were capacity of two previous Archbishops having been consecrated in Rome. The cathedral

although they do not belong to the exbut a short while ago was a mass of black, blazed with light from scores of From From St. Mary's church the Archbishop and his friends drove to St. Mary's Academy, where dinner had been provided for the visiting and local clergy, who sat down to beauti-

Quebec say that many thousands of

evening he attended an enterrainment given by St. Boniface C. M. B. A. It of the true faith; but indifferentism reception at the palace on Thursday or hostile to dogmatic truth. Friday. Nearly all the visiting prelates departed for home this morning.

MEDAL FOR MRS. SADLIER.

Notre Dame's "Lactare" Medal to be Conferred This Year on Mrs. Sad-

been highly commended for their literary excellence. Race patriotism and sterling Catholicity are their salient characteristics. One of her sons died in the Jesuit order; one of her daughters is a frequent contributor to the Catholic World and other Catholic periodicals.

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Mrs. Sadlier, whose maiden name was Mary Anne Madden, is a native of Cootehill, in the county Cavan, Ireland; and was born on the closing day of the year 1820. Her father was Francis Madden, a man of refinement and literary tastes, and a highly respected merchant. Her mother, who died when her talented daughter was still a child, shared her husband's love for poetry and the legendary lore of their native land. Business embarrassments and financial troubles hastened Mr. Madden's death; and in 1844 his bereaved daughter came to this country, bringing withher, among her other treasures and relics, a goodly number of old and valuable books, including some rare editions of the English poets which had formerly belonged to her father. In November, 1846, Miss Madden be now many the came the wife of Mr. James Sadlier, one of the original partners of the well-known publishing house of D. & J. Sadlier & Company, and went to Montreal to reside, her husband being then the representative of his firm in that city. For the ensuing fourteen years Mr. and Mrs. Sadlier remained in Canada, and it was during that period that several of her most successful stories were written: while, in addition to her other literary work, she contributed copiously to the columns of the New York Tablet and other publications. In 1860 his business interests, compelled Mr. Sadlier to return to New York, to which city he accordingly so moved his family: and he continued to reside there until the date of his untimely death, nine years subsequently.

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his figures, though by no means exact, are sufficiently correct to dishearten all patriotic citizens. Convinced as we are that the faithful practice of religion in the role great that the faithful practice of religion. patriotic citizens. Convinced as we are that the faithful practice of religion is the sole guarantee of the permanence of any Government, and especially of a republic, it is not comforting to know that only one-third of the population of the United States is church going. Of the 12,000,000 voters registered during the last presidential election, the sects claim 3,500,000, while 2,000,000 are set down as Catholics. The remainder—or over half the voting strength of the people—must be classed either as professedly agnostic or as indifferent to any set form of religion. This is a serious consideration; and, as Catholics looking to the ultimate conversion of America, we deplore the decay of Church loyalty among Protestants. Even limited experience and observation are sufficient to convince any one people belong to the soul of the Church prudens quem constituit Dominus, super familiam suam" ("Faithful and wise servant, whom his Lord placed over His household"). The super familiam suam to constituit placed over His household"). The super familiam suam to constituit placed over His household"). The super familiam suam to constituit placed over His household"). The super familiam suam to constituit described in numbers extended was constituit and the leadership of Miss McKeough, organist.

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Palace, receiving a few callers. This that Christ established a Church, he is s likely His Grace will hold a public begets a state of mind essentially Catholic can rejoice in the decay of Protestantism, unless that decay means a flood-tide of grace and large accessions to the true Church.—Ave Maria.

Many Converts.

One day last week a quiet but im Everybody will be pleased to learn that Notre Dame University will this year confer the Laetare medal on Mrs. Sadlier. At the age of seventy-five this well-known Irish American that Notre Dame University will this year confirmed by the Right Rev. Bishop Donahue. All, with the exception will known Irish American the well-known Irish American the confirmed by the Right Rev. that Notre Dame University with this year confer the Laetare medal on Mrs. Sadlier. At the age of seventy-five this well-known Irish American authoress is still living at Montreal, Canada.

The novels of Mrs. Sadlier — who of the present Irish American generation has not read them?

All of her works has not read them? All of her works after which the sacrament of confirma-embody a moral; many of them have tion was administered. Another class

CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY.

AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT ADDRESSED TO THE CAPHOLIC PRESS OF THE COUNTRY-UNITED CANADA'S REPORT OF THE SCHOOL CASE CONDEMNED.

We are asked to publish the following resolution, passed at the meeting of the Cath-elic Truth Society held in Winnipeg a few

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