

THE CROSS.



NEW

SHIRAZ

VOL. I.

No. 29.

God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is Crucified to me, and I to the world.—St. Paul, Gal. vi. 14.

HALIFAX, JULY 26, 1845.

CALENDAR.

- JULY 27—Sunday XI after Pentecost—Commemoration of all the Pontiffs of the Roman Church.
 ... 28—Monday—SS. Victor, Pope and Martyr, Innocent, Pope and Confessor, and Nazarius and Celso, Martyrs.
 ... 29—Tuesday—Felix II, Pope and Martyr.
 ... 30—Wednesday—St. Martha, Virgin, Sem.
 ... 31—Thursday—St. Ignatius Loyola, Confessor.
 Ato. 1—Friday—St. Peter ad Vincula
 ... 2—Saturday—St. Stephen, Pope and Martyr.

SOCIETY FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH

The Committee and Collectors of the Society met in great numbers, on Monday evening, in the vestry of St Mary's church; the greatest enthusiasm and delight pervaded the assembly, in consequence of the presence of the Right Rev Dr Walsh. His Lordship appeared perfectly recovered from the fatigues of his journey; and entered with all his usual ardour into the great object of the Meeting.

Rev R B O'Brien, Secretary, read an abstract of the accounts, by which the Society appears to be in a most prosperous condition. We are compelled to omit all details until our next publication, in order to make room for the important ceremony of ordination.

The Collectors, on Monday evening, handed in nearly *Seventy Pounds!* a sum collected in *half-cennies* since last meeting. God bless the Ladies and Gentlemen, whose exertion and example are accomplishing so much for religion.

ORDINATION SERVICE.

OF THE RITE OF GIVING THE TONSURE.

All about to receive the Tonsure are called by name and severally by the Notary, and each answers, Present.

And they kneeling in front of the Altar before him as he sits on the foldstool with his mitre on, the Bishop rises keeping on his mitre and says,

V. Blessed be the name of the Lord.

R. Now, and for ever and ever.

V. Our help is in the name of the Lord.

R. Who made heaven and earth.

Dearly beloved brethren, let us pray our Lord Jesus Christ for these His servants, who are ready to lay aside the hair of their heads for His love, that He may give them the Holy Ghost, Who may preserve in them the habit of religion for ever, and defend their hearts from the hinderances of the world and the love of secular things, that as they are changed in their outward appearance, so His hand may give them increase of virtue, and open their eyes from every spiritual and human darkness, and grant them the light of eternal grace. Who liveth and reigneth with God the Father, in the unity of the same Holy Ghost, God, world without end.

After this, whilst the Bi-hop is sitting, the Choir begins and continues the Antiphon and Psalm.

Ant. It is Thou that wilt restore my inheritance to me.

Psalm 15.

Preserve me, O Lord, for I have put my trust in Thee. I have said to the Lord, Thou art my God, for Thou hast no need of my goods.

To the saints who are in His land, he has made wonderful all my desires in them.

Their infirmities were multiplied, afterwards they made haste.

I will not gather together their meetings for blood offerings, nor will I be mindful of their names by my lips.

Ant. It is Thou, &c.

When the Psalm has begun, the Bishop with his scissors cuts the extremities of the hair of each person in four places, namely, in the front, on the hinder part of the head, and close to each ear; afterwards he cuts a few hairs in the middle of the head. He puts the hairs into a basin; and each person whilst he is receiving the Tonsure, says,

The Lord is the portion of mine inheritance and