

THE CROSS.



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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, JANUARY 23, 1847.

CALENDAR.

JANUARY 24—Sunday—III After the Epiphany.
 25—Monday—Conversion of St. Paul.
 26—Tuesday—St. Polycarp Bishop and Martyr.
 27—Wednesday—St. Vitalian P. and Conf.
 28—Thursday—St. John Chrysostom B. C. and Doct.
 29—Friday—St. Francis of Sales B. and Conf.
 30—Saturday—St. Felix IV, Pope and Conf.

ST. PATRICK'S.

The usual monthly meeting of the Collectors was held on the 12th inst., Very Rev. Mr. Connolly in the chair, when the following sums were handed in by the various Collectors whose names are appended.

WARD NO 1.

Messrs James Kelly and John Tuohill	£0 16 10 ³
J. Grant and J. Holden	1 18 4 ³
Philip and William Compton	2 3 1 ²

WARD NO 2.

Messrs Patrick Walsh and James Wall	2 11 3
Pierce Ryan and William Walsh	2 0 4 ²

WARD NO 3.

Messrs Edward Eustace and P. Gong	2 1 1
Peter Morrissey and Edward Barber	2 10 10

WARD NO 4.

Messrs John Barron and Patrick Magee	1 5 7 ²
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WARD NO 5.

Denis Heffernan	5 0 0
Messrs Peter Walsh and P. Deegan	5 4 0
Timothy Linahan and Joseph Purell	5 2 2

WARD NO 6.

Messrs William Jones and John Devaney	0 19 4 ²
Mr. Fogarty, Subscription	1 0 0

CATECHISTICAL SOCIETY.

The Committees appointed by this excellent Society to purchase and make up some comfortable clothing for poor children at this inclement season, have justified the confidence reposed in them. Their benevolent exertions have been unremitting, and the consequence is, that many a poor child will be relieved at a time like this when relief is most necessary. Last week, about seventy boys received various articles of clothing, and for nearly a fortnight, a great number of ladies have been actively engaged in making up warm dresses for the poor of their own sex. The contributions thus afforded in valuable labour alone, not to speak of the powerful influence of such edifying example, have widely extended the sphere of this charity. Some of those who attended the work room, did so at considerable inconvenience, but they looked as if they thought it an honour to be permitted to render the smallest service to Christ's "little ones." We have now arrived at the severest period of the entire year when the want of clothing is most painfully felt. Much has been done by the Catechistical Society, and by the ladies who have so generously devoted the last fortnight to the poor; but how much more might be done, and how many distressed creatures might be relieved, if all those who had it in their power attended and assisted in performing one of the plainest and most imperative duties of their religion? We do not envy the feelings of those, who through tepidity or neglect have had no share in this benevolent work. The shivering limbs and piercing moans of those whom their charity should have covered, will cry out to the mercy seat, in language not to be mistaken.

A single glance at the untiring exertions of the ladies of other communions in behalf of the poor, as well as every other object connected with their worship, ought to raise a blush on the cheek of many a "professing" Catholic in Halifax, if the grace of blushing has not already departed. The poor may suffer 'now' from their heartless neglect. But the God of Justice will "not forget his poor unto the end," He will "arise in his might, and judge his own cause, on account of the mystery of