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CATHOLIC CALENDAR

THURSDAY, 2.—All Souls. FRIDAY, 3.—Of the Octave of All Saints. SATURDAY, 4.—St. Charles Borromeo, Bishop and Confessor. SS. Vitalis and Companions. MARY, Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost. Epist. Phil. iii. 17-iv. 3; Gosp. Matt. ix. 18-26.

TO SUBSCRIBERS

We have mailed to all those who are in arrears for subscriptions, &c., to THE TRUE WITNESS a statement of their indebtedness. We request those who receive such accounts to remit as early as possible.

The Dwyer-Gray case promises to be one of the leading features of the present session of the Imperial Parliament. The Committee appointed to investigate the imprisonment of the famous obstructionist, is composed of the most noted men in the House of Commons...

Tax False Prophet, who is now carrying fire and sword from Sudan into Egypt, is the eldest son of Senonssi, the founder of a powerful monastic order in North Africa. The father, on his deathbed, predicted that Islam was to have a new Messiah in the person of his son, El Mehdi.

NON-RESISTANCE OF THE IRISH PARTY TO THE CLOTURE

The stand taken by the Irish members of Parliament in regard to Gladstone's new gag rules, has taken the political world by surprise. They have pitched their tents on neutral grounds, and have resolved to remain simple spectators of the battle between the Ministerialists and the Opposition over the cloture.

free speech and parliamentary debate, gag rules are not desirable; but if the cloture is adopted, then the minority will have the right and power to use it as an instrument of self-protection...

THE IMPERIAL EMIGRATION POLICY A FAILURE

According to the London correspondent of the Globe, who weeps over the fact, the emigration policy inaugurated by the Imperial Government in England has turned out to be a complete failure; this is welcome and not unfortunate news...

DISMEMBERING THE CONFEDERATION, OR THE "REBEL ARGUMENT"

There is one childish peculiarity which characterizes our young and flourishing Canadian Confederation and which, by a general endeavor of the country at large, should be made to cease evincing itself at every turn...

between the Federal and Provincial Governments is unparliamentary to a degree.

We will concede that rare occasions may arise when a conflict between the two Governments would be so characterized by injustice on the part of the Federal ministry that the Province unfairly dealt with would be justified in seeking satisfaction elsewhere...

THE CHURCH AND STATE IN FRANCE

The relations between the Church and the State in France as it exists under the Republic are growing more and more irreconcilable. Inconsistency seems to be their chief characteristic.

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OPENING OF THE IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT

The Imperial Parliament reassembled yesterday, and Mr. Gladstone at once found that his Government would have to stand a series of attacks, the results of which it would at present be difficult to point out.

of the Conservatives deprecated the decision of the Government to adhere to this arbitrary and unwieldy measure which is considered altogether "un-English" and which will go so far to wipe out the honorable traditions of the House of Commons.

THOMAS D'ARCY MCGEE

There is at present going the rounds of the press a narrative telling of a remarkable dream, and recalling the memory and tragic end of the late Hon. Thomas D'Arcy McGee.

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he endeavored to prevail against their punishment; and he succeeded, for the records of this troublesome period show that no arrests for participation in the Fenian movement were made until the assassin's bullet deprived him of life.

A POLITICAL PROTEST

A Catholic Conservative bombshell has just been shot into the mixed atmosphere of politics and religion in the Province of Ontario. It has fallen in the shape of a card or memorandum of an uncommon character...

We admit, with the honorable writers, that the dignity of the Church and the peace and freedom of the people are to be better maintained by a non-interference of the clergy in public affairs; but we venture to say that if the Hon. Messrs. Smith and O'Donohoe had fully scanned the political situation in Ontario, they would have understood and seen that the hierarchy and clergy were completely justified in opposing the political party in whose behalf their present protest is published.

ANBY'S PARK THEATRE IN NEW YORK

burned to the ground at the most opportune moment,—when it was empty. A few hours later and the theatre would have been packed from the floor to the dome with a multitude gazing on the "Jersey Lily"; but Providence has favored the admired and the admirers, and all have been spared the torments of fire.

CATHOLIC NEWS

His Holiness, Pope Pius IX., used to liken Dr. Busby to a church bell, summoning others to the household of faith, but himself remaining without.

Ten Sisters of Mercy have gone from New Orleans to Pensacola, Fla., at the call of the board of health of the latter place, to nurse the yellow fever patients. A general hospital has been organized and placed under their care.

Since the establishment of the Carmelite monastery in Baltimore, in 1787, there have been forty-five deaths in the community. Twelve of the deceased nuns had lived past three score and ten; eight had nearly attained it. The average age of the departed was fifty-six.

The Marquis de Comillas, a Basque nobleman, has given 2,000,000 reals, or \$1,025,000, to the Jesuit, Father Tomas Gomez, that he may establish a national ecclesiastical seminary on the Marquis' estate at San Vicente de la Basquera.

The Very Rev. Peter Francis Testa, England, has been elected Father-General of the Servite Order. In the room of the late Very Rev. John Angelo Mondani whose death was so generally regretted.

A young priest in Gardentini, in the Province of Byracosa, of most estimable character, recently while celebrating Mass and allowing the consecrated host, was seized of a bitter taste. He went home and died soon after in great agony.

An order issued by the Spanish Minister of War repeats the decree of April 17th, 1880, by which the doors of the military hospitals were thrown open to the Sisters; the sick and wounded soldiers are henceforth handed over to the tender mercies of mere mercenarys, and the Sisters of Mercy are banished from the sufferers' beds.

An itinerant Protestant minister, who has travelled through the most remote regions of North America, thus speaks of the Catholic missionaries in these parts:—"In the most unexplored parts, through swamps and creeks, under the rays of the scorching sun, during rains or in arctic frosts, bare on horse-back, there on foot, sometimes carrying his frail bark canoe, sometimes marching on snowshoes over the icy fields, pulling from hut to hut his sled, visiting the sick stricken down by fever or small-pox, the Catholic missionary carries his Master's standard and the light of civilization to the farthest regions of the Northwest.

Henri Rochefort, the notorious Communist, writing in his organ, the Intransigeant, speaks of the mockery of keeping up the Concordat in Paris. Referring to the recent elevation of the Papal Nuncio, Mgr. Czacki, to the Cardinalate, at which President Grevy was present, he says: "What is the good of this pomp and pride and circumstance, and this exchange of Latin speeches, at the very time when the Government is engaged in turning God out of the schools, in expelling the Brothers of the Christian Doctrine, shutting up convents, and proclaiming that the State has no religion? Aye, what's the good of it? We are told that the Concordat will have it so. A pretty thing, that Concordat."

Considerable excitement has been aroused in Paris by the expulsion of the Sisters of St. Vincent de Paul from the building where they kept a religious school for little girls. The operation was conducted by M. Dulac, commissary of police, and a strong force of police. On the officials presenting themselves the Sister Superior refused to produce the keys, and a locksmith was sent for who opened the front doors and those of the various class rooms.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S VISIT

Mgr. Bourget at the Church of the Sacred Heart. His Grace Archbishop Bourget visited the Church of the Sacred Heart on Sunday. He was accompanied by Rev. Father Primeau, parish priest of Boucherville, and other members of the clergy.

At eleven o'clock a Low Mass was celebrated by Rev. Mr. Ploette, and His Grace attended, surrounded by Rev. Fathers Antoine and Leconte, O.M.J., and other priests.

Rev. Mr. Primeau delivered an eloquent sermon, after which the citizens presented His Grace with an address of welcome, to which he replied. He thanked them most feelingly for the kind manner in which they had replied to the call of their pastor, Rev. Mr. Dubuc, to assist the Bishop in its financial troubles.