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#### Calendar for the Week.

24—S. Simoon 25—Annunciation of B. V. M. 26—Most Precious Blood, 27—Passion Sunday, 23—S. John Capistan, 29—S. John of Damascus, 30—S. John Climacus.

The newspapers announce still another settlement" of the Manitoba school question. We wonder in what constitumey a hopeful gang of partisans once more hope to play upon the Catholic

The Irish Local Government Bill has The Irish Local Government Bill has seed its second reading in the House Commons without a division. But enemies, the so-called "Unionists," o said to have made arrangements to im it in committee.

Though not so much heard of in this Th ugh not so much heard of in this part of the Dominion, the late Chief Justice Davie, of British Columbia, was rightly regarded in the Pacific province as one of the great mon of Canada. His death is a loss to the Dominion as well as the province, and to the Catholic Church, to which, after his conversion from Protestantism, he was a loyal sour.

St. Patrick's Day was well observe in Toronto, Irishmen without regard St. Petrick's Day was well observed in Toronto, Irishmen without regard to creat uniting in honor of it. Catholics sat down with Protestants and Protestants mingled with Catholics—a true harmony in green. Mayor Shaw rightly understood his position as Chief Magistrate when he put in an appearance at all the celebrations, whether under Protestant or Catholic anepices. Such acts greatly advance the standard citzonship.

It is sad nows the latest cabl It is sad nows the latest cable despatches concerning the state of Mr. Gladstone's health communicate. One of the greatest lives of the century is nearing its close, the most majestic figure of the entire British reform movement will employ no more his genius for democratic statesmanship in invarying the ancient constitution of improving the ancient constitution of country. Mr. Gladstone is going ne to die. His last public words ak encouragement to Ireland and a apeak encouragement to Ireland and fervent blessing upon his own country

So far as we are aware the only Catholic bishop in Canada to appear upon a platform among the people on St. Patrick's Day was the brilliant young prelate of Montreal. Mgr. Bruchesi not only se' an example for the French-Canadian clergy, breaking the silence in which up to the present time the French-Catholic bishops ruling the large and influential Irish-Catholic elements in Montreal and Queboc have suffered the national and religious festival of Ireland to pass: but he has mouts in Montreal and Quoboc have auffered the national and religious festival of Ireland to pass; but he has also made a precedent even for our Irish-Catholic bishops, who usually participate only in the religious ceromonies of St. Patrick's Day, leaving the people to carry out their own arrangements for the national and patriotic observances of the anniversary. Mgr. Bruchesi presched a sermon in St. Patrick's preached a sermon in St. Patrick's Church. Montreal, on Thureday last that breathes the very life of Irish roligious Instory. In the ovening he graced the popular platform with his presence encouraging the patriotic asteriations of the Irish-Canadians at the close of the day as be had praised their all-enduring, tath in the morning. Long may be his life and glorious his influence in the future history of the Catholic Church in French-Canada!

The growing practice among members of Parliament of intimidating the Government in order to gain personal ends has at last landed the party in power at Ottawa in a disgraceful mess. Mr. Bruneau, a supporter of the Government, at a critical moment, when his rote as a party man was a serious consideration with the Ministry, ant in his resignation to the Speaker. The game in hand must have gone his way, as he found it desirable to "withdraw" his resignation after the Speaker had

received it. Although on a party divireceived it. Although on a party division the "hold up" has been vindeated on the ples that the Jepaker had not opened the a wedepo, it is seriously contended that Mr. Bruneau went a little too far His case may yet be seen to resemble the fate of the dog who "to gain some private ends went med and bit a man." The poet assures us that "the man recovered of the bit, the dog it was that died," It is oldimed for Mr. Bruneau that in the parliamentary sense here a dead dog, the contention being that the Speaker acted outside of being that the Speaker acted outside of his province in allowing the resigning member to withdraw the resignation from the Speaker's hands. It is disgraceful to a political party that such practices should be countenanced on the floor of the House. Heaven help the public interests when partyism has lost regard for even the appearances of respectability! his province in allowing the resigning

The Montreal Star, an independent and responsible paper, states that a de-faulting employe of an American con-corn is being trained by the authorities act of the state of the vacant position of Warden in the St. Vincent de Paul positiontiary. It not only makes this statement but gives all the names and particulars. It is to be hoped the Government will pause before it crowns the viudictiveness of the famous penitentiary commission by so appropriate tentiary commission by so appropriate an abasement of patronage for partisans. The penitentiary commission went to work originally to make places for party camp followers. Political expediency discountributions. tated that only those office-holders who had no friends to make a row in their had no friends to make a row in their interest should be displaced. Owing to the fact that Catholics have no secret societies or other organizations for the purposes of political offence and defence, the kinfe of the penitonitary commission was almost wholly confined to the necks of Catholic omployes. Being well advised of this The Redistrict took up the discussion of the matter, whereupon the Gevenment began to act vindictively. We make no complaint of direct injury inflicted upon ourselves; but we are convinced that the commission was a long distance out of its way to take revenge upon some who were suspected a long distance out of its way to take rovenge upon some who were suspected of supplying this paper with information. This was not only unjust on principle but in fact, because the gentleman whose information we for the most part rolled upon has nover, we believe, had any connection with the Government service. Of a truth, vindictiveness is always blind, and the uovernment service. Of a truth, vin-dictiveness is always blind; and the people, when they see the public insti-tutions turned over to the charge of defaulters, will begin to realize a little of the ovi! of unscrupulous partisan-ship. sbip. ....

#### Lady Aberdeen and Irish-Ganadians.

We present to our readers to day a fairly adequate description of the celebrations held on St. Patrick's Day in various cities throughout the country. We have given the largest country. We have given the special special in the Capi to the address delivered in the Capital City by the Countess of Aberdeen ount of the literary and natio interest of the discourse itself, and be cause of the place which the wife of the Governor-General helds in the respect nd affection of all Irish-Canadians There is no need here to praise either the address or the fair speaker. was done on Thursday evening by the first and best-respected Irishman in Canadian public life, Hon. John Cos tigan. It has been done again and again by a score of our most distinguished representatives, both of the clergy and lasty. Mr. Costigan ou one eulogium on Thursday eveni that will stand for, and be accept that will stand for, and be accepted in behalf of, all the rest—the words spoken by the Archbishop of Toronto, Most Rev. Dr. Walsh, upon a recent occasion when Lady Aberdeen spoke in Toronto before an audience as fully representative of the Irisb-Canadians of this city as that which received her appearance on the 17th proceed her appearance on the 17th proceed her appearance on the 17th processed her appearance of greeted her appearance on the 17th was of the Gaels living in the Canadian Capital. The term of Lord and Lady Aberdeen in this Dominion is now drawing to a close, and their departure from smooget us is only a matter of weeks. They will carry away with them the universal esteem of the Canadian people, who nave found in them, from first to last, their highest ideal of the representatives of monarchy in an essentially de-mocratic state. We may take the liberty of saying that by no class of the people have Lord and Lady Aberdeen's gracious qualities been more deeply appreciated than by Irish-Canadians. We suppose the appear-ance of the Countess at Ottawa on Thursday last is to be regarded in a manner as a special farewell to the Irish people of that city. We understand that it was so regarded by the

splendid audience that greeted her; d in this connection it may be add ed that the great demonstration made at Dublic on the occasion of the Abordeons leaving the vice-regal station in Ireland, was not more ex pressure of regrot at parting, and of more fervent good wishes for the future, than the feeling which the appearance of the Countess evoked on Thursday evening at Ottawa, and which finds a response in every Irish-Canadian home through-out this wide Dominion — To copy the hearty words of Mr. A. P. Graves, by way of a wish for their future fortune

May every luck that lightens life Abght upon the Aberdeens.

#### Food of "Charity' for Methodist Consumption.

We are surry to see that the edi torial standard of our respected contemporary, The Christian Guardian, is falling. The second "article" on its falling. The second "article" on its editorial page last week is quite a curiosity, coming from under the hand of an up-to-date journalist like Brother Courtice. To avoid running the risk of dealing unjustly in any way with the supposed ratelligence of reverend editor we copy the "article" in full

RAFFLE FOR SOULS

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The following is from The Christian Eudeavor World, and is supplied to that paper by Rev. Francis S. Bottom, missionary in Pueblo, Mexico, as a notice read in a Roman Catholic Church:

"Rafile for Souls At the last Rafile for Souls the following numbers obtained the prize, and the lucky holders may be assured that their leved ones are forever released from the flames of purgatory.

"Ticket \$41. The soul of the lawyer, James Vasquey, is released from purgatory and ushered into heavenly joys.

"Ticket \$41. The soul of the flames of yargatory and ushered into heavenly joys.

"Ticket \$41. The soul of the aged widow, Francisca de Parras, is forever released from the flames of purgatory.

"Auther rafile for souls with to include a thin same blossed Church of the Romeson of January 1, at which for heaven the soul of the four leased from purgates soul will be recording to the four lighest fisches; in this most holy lottery. Tickets one collar, To be had of the Father in charge. Will you, for the poor sum of one dollar, loeve your loved ones to burn in purgatory for ages?"

It would be a relief to disbelieve the above. In Canada we have known to much of the disgrace of Roman Catholic bishop in Canada would allow Moxico. We pressume that no Roman Catholic bishop in Canada would allow such a notice. Can it be true of Mexico? What Roman Oatholic authority will contradict it?

What Roman Catholic authority will contradit this? What, indeed ! What Roman Catholic authority at this distance knows, or can know, any-thing concerning the allegations made by a "missionary" in a place that has no existence on the map of America? There is a Puebla but not a Pueblo in Mexico. There is a Pueblo in Colorado U.S.A. Brother Courtice ought to to keep a reliable atlas beside him if his knowledge of geography is a trifle rusty. It would help him to keep track of those wandering missionaries whose statements are never to be swallowed without salt. Supposing, however, that the apocryphal Borton did write from Publa, and not from Publa, and that the editors of The Ohristian Endeavor World and The Christian Guardian are responsible for the error in names, we certainly doubt the missionary's word that th "Church of the Redeemer" in which "Charen of the Redeemer" in which this unholy lottery is alleged to have taken place is a Catholic Church. Anyone who has followed the later history of Mexico, and especially that phase of events in the unhappy country dating from the insurrection at Pueble must know that there is in existence there a "reformed church," which professes the "catholicity" of Ameriprotesses the "cannot of a meri-can-Anglican episcopalianism, but which is not recognized outside a few centres of Mexican population. It would not come as a surprise to hear that the Mexican "reformation" bred abuses as bad as a " Rafile for Souls," because even in England after the so-called "reformation" there the most amazing abuses sprang into existence.
Of this fact, however, The Christian
Endeavor Herald and The Christian Guardian may be fully assured, that anything having even the most ror resemblance to the performance which they describe as a "Rafile for Souls" would be instantly condemned as a gross abuse in the sight of God and men by the Catholic Church in Canada, Mexico or any part of the earth where the doctrines and practices of the Catholic Church are known. But, after all this has been said, the one

sensible opinion that any intelligent person after reading the so-called

authoritative report from Mexico would come to is that it is a lie its face, like so many other hes that have been sent out to the world con cerning the religious ignorance of the Mexicians. It is charmingly indefinite as to facts, whilst the phrases "this same blessed church of the Redeemer," "four bleeding and tor tured souls," " most holy lottery" etc. are too patently saturied and maji cous to be palmed off as cy-pressions used in a public notice read in any church. It is an adroit turn The Ohristian Guardian gives the r atter when it brings in hurch lotteries, or bazaars, in Canada, designed to relieve church buildings in some places of their debts. We would be candid with The GUARDAN, and say that we hold all such bazaars, rafiles, prize-drawings, pic-mos and so forth as thorough ings, pic-nics and so forth as thorough ly in contempt as we hold Methodist "socials," "pink teas," "courting meetings" and the like. In both cases the same end is in view; but, of the same end is in view; but, of course, in neither case is there anything contrary to faith or morals involved. If we were all as earnest in the pursuit of grace and the welfare of the Church as we are in the chase after pleasure and "style," we would not have so many harm sticks hands for the women of sharp sticks handy for throwing at each other. But between such adven-titious schemes under church auspices for extracting money from tight pockets and the unheard-of practices that our Methodist brethren p rofogg to that our Methodist brethren profess to have discovered in Mexico is a far cry indeed. We hope these observations may satisfy Brother Courtice.

#### Sympathy for "Ex-Priest" Slattery.

The Orange Sentinel appears to have suffered a severe internal injury by the conviction of "ex-priest" Slattery at Edinburgh, and the order of the Police Magistrate compelling the blackguard to burn his indecent literary stock-in-trade. The loss of The Sentinel is not hard to understand; but it is quite impossible to sympathize with it. Our suffering contemporary is now eagerly looking round for some ingenious story in ex planation of Slattery's troubles to alm off upon its enlightened readers. Naturally it blames the "Jesuits." It would be interesting to know whether that Edinburgh bailie who brought Slattery to time is a full-fledged "lay Jesuit." Perhaps the police authorities in the English cities who prohibited Slattery's lectures are also tarred with the same brush.
There seems, in fact, to be a wide.
sproad Jesuit conspiracy against the
"awakening Protestant spirit" so dear to the soul of The Sentinel. The dear to the soul of The Sentinel. The deeper our contemporary probes into the "famous case," the more startling are its disclosures. The wily Jesuits appear to have succeeded in placing one end of the machinery of their scheme upon the statute book of Britain. Think of that, and marvel not that non Statters have accessed. that poor Slattery has been rounded up 1 The British law—so The Senti-nel assures us—prohibits the sale of English translations of the Latin books in which the Jesnits learn their wickedness and cunning. Slattery's literature came within this particular prohibition; and that is how the worthy man fell a victim to the machi worthy man fell a victim to the machi-nations of the Jesuits. The editor of The Sentinel knows that all these things are true; he being an omnivor-ous reader in the original Latin, as well as in the beautiful Doric of Caithess that is neither Scotch nor Irish When the Caithness man focuses that formidable lorgnette he carries with him on an ancient monkish tome the Orangemen of Toronto, whose historiographer he has become, may be quite sure that all the hidden wickedess of its pages will be brought to light. The poor Irish or Ca Orangeman is an illiterate back num ith a smooth-bore brogue compared with what Caithness has pro duced. However, we are afraid that all the ingenious discoveries of the editor of The Sentinel offer but cold comfort to "ex-pusst" Slattery with his business rulned by the ruthless hand of a Jesuit-made E-glish law. As for any sympathy that The Sentunel can give him in his affiction, we fear that it is but offering additional digrace to the sentence of the Edinburgh Magistrate. Slattery has already received a certificate of character from the notocious "Filthy Fulton," of Boston; and the sympathy of The Sentinel coming hot on top of that should fill the cup of his humiliation to the brim. comfort to "ex-priest" Slattery with

## All Hail to St. Patrick.

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sought to win them over under the cleak of charity
On the very day I reached Dublin, hundreds of your fellow countrymen knet to the feet of Leo MII to 3p. ak their southments of final love and attach ment. The Vicar of Josus Christ greet of them in these terms "The most catholic people in the whole world art the irish," Greater praise than this cannot be tendered to a hation, and it is a pleasure for me to repeat his words on this volenum occasion which has led you to the foot of tool's altar to give xpression to the southments that filled the souls of your countrymen in presence of the Sovereign Poutfil.
Chierish with precalection the home of your forefathers, the home of the popes, two spots on earth ever dear to the lirish heart. Before expiring in Genoa, the immortal O'Connell bequeathed his body to frieland. It was meet that the hero's snortal remains should rex in the bosom of the land for which he had lived and dhed. If is heart he left to Home. A stronger pledge of fihal love and submission towards the See of lotter he could not have given. His soul he consigned to his Maker. A three-fold love that should glow in the oreast of all, love of country, love of Erin, love of Gol. I know you love your country, and me seems, I hear you repeating with the bard!

"Forget freland! no, while there's he

the bard:

Forget Irolaud! no, while there's life in this heart,

It shall nover torget thee, all lone as thou art.

More dear in thy serrow, thy gloom and thy showers,

Than the rest of the world in the sunniest hours."

and thy showers,
Than the rest of the world in the sumilost hours."

Let your fervent petitions ascend to the throne of the Most High that peace, prosperity and happiness may smile ou poor Erm. But, above all, cling to her laith. Remember that you are the deceendants of heroes, children of the laith. Remember that you are the deceendants of heroes, children of the laith. Remember that you are the laith. Remember that you are the deceendants of heroes, children of the late you bear. Amen.

After the Mass the procession re-formed in the vicinity of the clurch on Beaver Hall Hill and Lygauchetere street, and proceeded by the following streets. Craig Benry, St. Catherine, St. Lawrence, Craig Panet and Notro Dame streets, through Place d'Armes Square and St. James street, to St. Patrick's Alali, on McGill street. Hero they were dismissed after learning short speeches by prominent men in the ranks.

"The parade was one of the fluest and largest over seen in Montreal. The said of the street of the continuous and green regular worn by the macches, presented a pretty and refreshing sught. Nearly every band in the ciffeet. Especially creditable was the showing made by the Ameiert Order of Hibernians, which turned out five hundred strong, Every member of the Young Irishmen's Literary and Benefit Association were dark clothing. St. Ann's Young Men s Society also made a big showing; likewise the congregation of St. Patrick. The procession was preceded by a dashing cavalcade of young mon, whose costumes were slashed with green. The invited quests brought up the rear.

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The evening entortainment given by St. Patrick's Literary Society was worthy of the Irish people of Montreal. Hon. Dr. Guerin presided, and Archibishop Bruchesi, Mayor Prefontaine, Hon Judge Doherty, and others were present. The orator of the evening was Rev. Ji Conncy of Ogdensburg. All Conncy of Ogdensburg. How the Control of the Control of Contro EVENING CELEBRATIONS.

### IRISHMEN OF HAMILTON

Celebrate the National Festival and Frank Ryan, S J.

Hear on Address from Rev.

Frank Ryan, S. J.

Hamilton, March 17.—St. Patrick's day was marked by the gathering of authority and the state of the Anches of the Anch

ginning lith the great St theologians, do a linit that may be some times hawful A ly everyone will admit that there was a time or place wh fying conditions could be foun the year 29 to Irehard The gallari longils sodie; Si John Moore, sald very in himan should be a rebell then and o'that if he were an Irish. Inches of the them and o'the line and o'the them and o'the line and the standard Pitag roll, when a later of the landard Pitag roll, when a later of the landard Pitag roll, when a later of the landard Pitag roll, when a later o'the landard Pitag roll, when a later o'the landard Pitag roll, when a later o'the landard Pitag roll, when a rebeillon of the landard Pitag roll, when a rebeillon of the landard Pitag roll, it was a roballon of Irish-Process, for the landard Pitag roll, it was a roballon of Irish-Process, and it was a roballon of Irish-Process, and the landard Pitag roll, it was a roballon of Irish-Process, and the landard roll irish-tenders and process of the landard roll irish and brattal agreement when the later of Irish-tenders and the distribution of the landard roll irish later of Irish-tenders, and secondly his office the landard roll irish later of the later of the

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### IN TORONTO

Several Concerts and Orations Mark the National Day of Ireland.

The St. Patrick's day parade in Tarronto as usual was held on the Standay preceding the national festival. The overning of St. Patrick's day was set apart for patriotic concerts and adverse of the shamrock and streets with the day displayed than usual, the majorate may be supported than usual, the majorate of the shamrock and streets during the day displayed in the street of the evening a more for the street of the evening and the street may well by Muster hall. This event may have a street may a more representative Irish auditional for the street of the A.O. H in Toronto. Per large a more representative Irish auditional control in this city. The seem under one roof in the seem of the seem on the excellent programme and taleated arrives they had secured for evenings are entertainment. He wished to the property of the property of