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CATHOLIC CALENDAR

FEBRUARY, 1883. THURSDAY, 1st. St. Ignatius, Bishop and Martyr. St. Mary, Virgin, 1880. Ep. Miles, Nashville, died, 1869.

TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS

It has become necessary once more to call the attention of our subscribers to the large number of subscriptions which remain unpaid after repeated appeals for prompt settlement.

A SIGNIFICANT VICTORY

Mr. O'Brien, editor of the United Ireland, who stands committed for trial on a charge of sedition, appealed from the decision of Judges Lawson and Johnson to the electorate of Mallow.

WOLSELEY AS OUR NEXT GOVERNOR-GENERAL

The Toronto World says it has good authority for stating that the British Government has decided to give Lord Garnet Wolseley a relaxation from his police duties and send him out as Governor-General to Canada for the next term.

and quarrels with the rank and file of our militia over a towel, but is so jealous of our Minister of Militia that he enjoyed immensely the omission of the volunteers to salute the Minister at a late parade.

Our contemporary seems to think that the reason why the eyes of the Imperial Government have been cast on Wolseley is that he will be able to make an impression here, put the stamp of imperialism upon the country and crush out all aspirations after freedom and independence.

THE FINANCIAL CONDITION OF THE PROVINCE

The general inclination of the Province is, from all appearances, to give the Monseu Administration a fair trial. If the regime of our new Premier is to be marked by economy and a wise husbandry and careful development of the resources of the country, he shall be deservedly entitled to the cordial support of the people and their representatives.

people can account for. If there was one Minister of the late Cabinet worthy of finding a place in the present administration, that one was the Hon. Mr. Flynn. If the other departments were managed with equal economy and intelligence, the deficits would not be so formidable.

BOUCAULT'S BLOCKADE

Dion Boucault, the great dramatist, is perhaps one of the best known Irishmen of the day; his reputation is as wide as the artistic world, and his fame is on a par with his abilities.

THE QUEBEC LEGISLATURE IS NOW IN FULL BLAST

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station, of the impending catastrophe. The inconvenience arising from this blockade would fall nearly exclusively on the wealthy classes. The peasant who lives on the stores adjacent to his cabin would scarcely feel it, and when the breaches in the railways and canal locks were rebuilt he would benefit by the labor required to restore the lines.

BETTER TERMS FOR QUEBEC PROVINCE

The Hon. Mr. Mercier, the new leader of the Opposition in the Local House, has made a most favorable impression upon the Province by his speech in reply to the Ministerial programme, laid before the House by the Lieut.-Governor.

unfair to Quebec, and which is regarded as inviolable by none of the other Provinces but Quebec. This clause fixes the amount of our Dominion subsidy at eighty cents per head to the day of judgment and the restricted basis of the very limited population which existed here twenty-two years ago, while the other provinces, except Ontario, were entitled to an increase of their subsidies, on the basis of their population at each decennial census.

THE AMERICAN PRESS IS USUALLY ENGAGED POKING FUN AT THE FROST BITTEN CANUCK

The American press is usually engaged poking fun at the frost bitten Canuck, over the fact that the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess have been doing the grand in a foreign land, leaving us to get up a "Carnival" as best we could.

for it. The result is that our exchequer has been depleted to a degree which could not fall to give any succeeding Government great trouble to deal with and to force them into a corner if they were unwilling to increase the taxation or spread it.

ACKNOWLEDGE TO THE LATEST OFFICIAL RETURN

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