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Jesus said to his disciples. Whom do you say that

Simon Peter answered and said: Thou art Christ the

And Josus answering, raid to him. Blessed art thou Simon Bir. Jona; because flesh and blood hath not revealed it to thee, but my father who is in heaven AND I SAY TO THEE, THAT THOU ART PETER, AND TPONTHIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH, AND THE CATES OF HELL SHALL NOT PREVAIL AGAINST IT.

AND I SHALL GIVE TO THEE THE KEYS OF THE Kingdom of Heaves. And whatsoever thou shall blind upon earth, it shall be bound in heaven, and whatsoever thou shall loose on earth shall be loosed also in heaven.—S. Matthew xvi. 15—19



"Was snything concerled from Prizz, who was styled the Rock on which the Charch was built, who received the Keys of the Kingdom of Heaven, and the power of loosing and binding in Heaven and on earth."

—Tentullias Præscrip 280.

" There is one God, and one Church, and one Chair founded by the voice of the Lord tren Parra. That apy other Altar be erected, or any other Priesthood te-tablished, besides that one Altar, and one Priesthood, taunstied, besided that one Aliar, and one Priesthood, is impossible. Whatsoever gathers elsewhere, scatters Whatsoever is devised by human frenzy, in violation of the Divine Ordinance, is adulterous, improus, sacrilegious "-St. Cyprian Ep. 43 ad plebem.

" All of them remaining silent, for the doctrine was beyond the reach of man, Porna the Prince of the Apostles and the supreme he and of the Church, not following his own inventions, nor personded by human reasoning, but each officered by the Pather, says to him? Thou are Christ, and not this alone, but the Son of the living God.—St. Cyril of Jeresal, Cat. xi. 1.

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#### Calender.

Nov. 25-Sunday-XXVI aft Pent 5th Nov St Catherine V M d com

- 26-Monday-St Sylvester Abb doub com St. Peter, &c.
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this year.

#### (From the Tablet)

men is not confined to a few weeks' nit of the main points in the indusknown them; young, old and middleaged; Cork, Connaught, and Ulster; characters. He has paid among them, in the course of many years, many thousands of pounds for wages, and we would give considerable odds that he knows pretty well the kind and amount of work he has got for those wages, and the returns for which it stands accountable in the ledger of his firm. For opportunities of information therefore, for capacity of forming a correct practical judgment, for pains and conscience in coming to a conclusion, and for honesty in expressing what he really thinks, Mr. Bright, we take it, has, on this subject few living superiors. His testimony, we looked at his speech with some peasant to be true Caucasian, or something equally good; or whether his undeniable Celtic blood and religious that either in political or religious that either in political or religious two emotions, never, we believe, allied to, protest the Apostle necessarily stamped means deficient, least of all to those Peter the Apostle necessarily stamped means deficient, least of all to those upon him a doom of personal, social, who are interested in the fortunes of and political inferiority for all time to Catholicity all over the world. come. A careful perusal of Mr. Bright's oration has relieved our anxiety on these points; for we find him stoutly denying that the Celtic and Catholic character of the people are that the worst Irish criminals, in an pecting the position of Catholics in industrial and social point of view, that country, which we conceive will be almost entirely confined to the may be learned the exent of the diabolical

not the miserable potato-cottiers, not even the guerilla-murderers in the land-war, but another class of men altogether, who are neither Catholic nor Celt, but Protestant, Saxon, and even Cromwellian—that is—the landlords themselves. But hear his very words:

I deny both these proposition. I want to 29-Thursday-St Gelasius I P C doub know how it is hat thousands and hundreds of thousands of Irishmen, who could make no 30-Friday-St Andrew Apost doub 2 progress in their own country, succeed in the United States? (Loud cheers.) I DEC. 1-Saturday-St. Martin B C 11th want to know how it is that men who leave Nov com St Didacus simp Ireland with no more than that which is necessary to carry them across the Atlantic, in a few months, or a year or two, will send MR. BRIGHT'S SPEECH ON IRELAND. back a sufficient sum of money to bring their families and relations over. If Irishmen can get on in America why not in Ireland would within the next ten years bring back. Mr. Bright's knowledge of Irish-believe a change of legislation for Irish-Irishmen from America to their native countour in Ireland. Himself still, and try. (Cheers.) And as to their religion, are many years past, a large employer of not the people of Belgium of the same religion labour in Lancashire, so shrewd and are not the people of Lombardy? (Cheers.) Jabour in Lancashire, so shrewd and Do Irishmen, when they go to the U. States, beservant a person could not be igno- repudinte the fath they neld in their own country? No., And yet the belief of Christrial character of the Irish labourer. tianity, as professedly RomanCatholics, is not tending Mass, and inposing on them a He knows them, and for years has cultivation of land and the creation of proper-(Loud cheering.) But there is one class in Ireland not Catholic-the landed proall shapes, all sizes, all colours, all prietors: they are Protestants chiefly. I ask you whether they, of all persons in Ireland, if they alone have performed their duty to their country? (A cry of ' No.') Are they not as deeply embarrassed as it is possible, for nen in their circumstances, to be? And are they not held up to the eye of this countrie and to all the world as the class of all others which has been most grossly negligent of duties which it ought to have performed. Well, then, we will dismiss this slauder upon a fauh which is, I believe, professed at this moment by very much the largest proportion of those who have embraced Christianity throughout the world. The true cause of the present condition of Ireland is to be found in the crimes and blunders of legislation. (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

#### THE CATHOLICS OF HOLLAND.

The subject has been brought brochure, kindly forwarded to us by its no insignificant measure of dispraise, was author, a distinguished Dutch Catholic, intrinsically a document of little political imand entitled Memoire sur la Situation that it would not affect in any way, the

chill blast of a relentless persecution, titles them to our reverence and sym-

For a long time they seem to have been crushed and trampled on like the Catholics of Ireland, and it was only very gradually that they became too powerful for this to go on. Open persecution began in Holland with the decree of William the Silent in 1581, subjecting Catholics to pains and penalties for atfound in these countries to be injurious to the triple and even a quintuple taxation. Still they went on increasing, till in about 120 years the hand of their tyrants was compelled in some degree to relax itself. Yet so strong was it still, that persons now living in Holland remember when Catholics on Sundays going through the streets to attend to their religious duties, were obliged to carry a Protestant Bible or a Psalm-book in their hands, to proteet themselves from the insults of the mob. The places where they assembled were even obliged to be disguised by the signs of taverns, and there were in Amsterdam Catholic churches known by the names and signs of the Star, the Pigeon, the Post-boy's Horn, the Parroquet, &c Thus did the enemies of our Holy Faith try with devilish iniquity but utterly in vain, to stiffe and make an end of it.

In spite, however, of all this, the Catholics of that country make much greater efforts in the cause of enlightenment than We suppose there is hardly a coun- we could imagine a class not much above therefore, is peculiarly valuable, and try in Europe, except perhaps Swe- a million could do, under such difficulties. den till lately, the internal condition They have no less than four weekly papers anxiety to learn what he thought of which is so very little known to the Their progress, in lact, is a remarkable about the great question of race; English as Holland. Its commercial instance of the distinguishing character whether he believed the Connaught decline is one reason of this, and its of Catholicity everywhere. Protestants

#### ROME.

I hazarded a prediction, when I last wrote, that the letter of the French President, which

are not the peasants, not the paupers, be as new to many of our readers as save appearances, and, at the same time, if they have been to ourselves. Perhaps you will go to gain popularity with the army. To use a vulgar but strong expression, it was they consider Holland as a purely intended to throw dust in peoples' eyes, and Protestant nation; nay eminently so, it would seem that the step has been successabove almost any other in Europe ex- ful. Here, no authstanding all that has been cept our own. This is so far from best sources of information, that at no time being the case, that we may even call has any serious differences of opinion arisen Holland a mixed nation, like parts of between the French authorities and the Com-Prussia, if we may not rather liken it mission of Cardinals. I allude to the successto Ireland. No less than 1,200,000 ful Generals-in-chief Oudmot, and Rostolan. I will not pretend to deny that many acts of of the Duch population, that is two-fifths of the whole, are Catholics. none were more agreed than the French au-They have gradually grown up to thorities, have been unlarly laid to the excluthis number and proportion under the sive charge of this so-called dictatorial commission; perhaps on the principle that their shoulders being broad, that they should be and their faith and perseverance en- loaded with a proportionate weight of responsibility. As an example :- Two executions took place last week under sentences of courtmartial. The crimes in both cases had been murder, the victim in both cases, French. The one, a French clergyman, whose assassination was marked with circumstances of the most atrocious barbarity, having occurred on the day of the entrance of the French troops into Rome, and in one of the most public thoroughfares; the other, a French soldier, who had been treacherously stabled by a Roman soldier. I make no donbt but that, before this, some of the impartial journals of London have chronicled these facts as crying instances of clerical vengeance. Thanks, of course, to honest communications sent them by their invariably truth loving correspondents. It may not be amiss to remark that the

generality of the English journals, in the numerous vicissitudes which have marked the career of the persecuted Pontiff, have shown but little of that magnanimity, which in any other circumstance but those of the head of the Christian world, would no doubt, have awakened other feelings, and prompted a course of action, if not marked by particular generosity, most certainly not liable to the impeachment of injustice. But the peculiar circumstances of the Sovereign Pontiff seem to have sufficiently warranted a broad deviation from the general rule of conduct. In his regard, truth and equity have been prostituted to slander and foul play, and the most insignificant circumstances have not been let to pass where such could be turned to account in leeding the appente of a blindly depraved public. In those last trying moments, when the throne of Pius IX. was assailed by cowardly assassins, the voice of the English press, and and the influence of English agency were not wanting to halloo on the demons of anarchy in their impious career. During the exile and bitter affliction of the Sovereign Pontiff, whilst the remotest nations of the earth, comprising every colour, every religion, and every around hun, testifying at once their sorrow for his sufferings and their admiration of his virtues, the loud laugh of indecent mirth was wafted from the English shore. There alone had been raised the voice of triumph; for in the temporary difficulties of the head of the Cutholic church had been hailed the downfall of his temporary power, and as a consequence the anticipated decay before our notice by a very interesting had received so large a quota of praise, and finger of Providence beckons him back again of his spiritual jurisdiction. Now that the to that throne which weak, unprotected, and author, a distinguished Dutch Catholic, portance. I did not hesitate to pronounce confederated monarchs and combined armies, the true causes of the evils that afflict des Catholiques dans les Pays Bas. course of action which his Holiness seems, midst of that joy are raised the loud and bitter nursuing. I even surmised that its offents that its offents the course of disappointed hopes, and in the

Conceal it as they will, the cloven foot prostudes at every point. Protestant England Adughed and chuckled over the apparent prostration of the head of the Catholic religion. She had prepared a deep pit for his ruin, but an invisible hand guarded and defended his ivays. A cloud of temporary humiliation will shortly give place to a sunshine of well-merijod triumph.

A'great deal has been said and written in the foreign newspapers as to the repudiation. of the Papal government of all liability to the payment of interest on the national debt during the period of the so-called Roman Republio. This turns out as well as most of the other accusations to be absolutely false. According to a notice in the official journal, all arrears of interest will be strictly paid up; the delay in hitherto doing so is accounted for by the entire penury of funds in the Roman Exchequer at the period of the restoration. One can well imagine that the Mazzini Government would have forfeited all esteem amongst respectable Socialists if the last solemn duty of sweeping out the exchequer had been neglected.

A novel course has been adopted here by some of the many sufferers by the robberies and devastations of the revolutions, in order to obtain compensation for at least a portion of their heavy losses Actions have been brought against the members of the Triumvirate and Constituent Assembly, in order to reachithe property of Lawyer Armellini. The Prince of Canino and some few other individuals are reputed rich amongst the motley crowd of famishing wolves who constituted the reputable Roman Republic.

" Raræ nantes in gurgite vasto." I am told that several decrees have already been obtained against these parties. This will prove a severer lesson than all the sangumary measures unjustly laid to the charge of the Commission of Cardinals .- Corresp. of Dublin Freeman.

#### THE MISSIONS OF JAPAN.

From the recent No. of the Annals of the Propagation of the Faith.

Upon the 15th of August, 1549, St. Francis Xavier landed at the port of Cangoxima, and opened the mission of Japan under the auspices of the Blessed Virgin Mary, but without any other human co-operation than that of two religious and three neophytes. The arst results were worthy of the Apostle of the Indies. He preached in the public places of Cangoxima, Amanguchi, and Figen, in the midst of an immense crowd astounded at the sanctity of his person and his doctrine. Although indeed he could not secure a hearing in the town of Miaco, which was then desolated by civil war, he made a cteditable appearance in the presence of the King of Burgo, confounded before him the bonzes, and converted one of them, in whose wake five hundred persons petitioned for baptism. His preaching was confirmed by such striking miracles as God bath often permitted in order to forward the Gospel among those people where it penetrates for the first time.-(p. 220)

The mission prospered, and converts became exceedingly numerous and edifying, so that nearly the whole of Japan became Christian. At last the tempest raged, and it is sad to confess that it deprived its first impetus from the carelessness of European Catholics.

Portuguees merchants had come and settled with the missioners in the ports of Japan, and whilst the conduct of some reflected honour en Christianity in the eyes of the Pagans, others astonished them by dissoluteness and irritated them by their disloyalty. To these original causes of distrust were superadded the rivalry of the Spanish colonists in the Philippine Islands, the attempt to push the introduction of their trade forcibly or otherwise, and lastly the imprudence of one of their pilots. This man, whilst debating some knotty questions with the Japanese officers, thought he could intimidate them by boasting of the power of the King his master, who, said he, first despatched Priests to barbarous nations to convert them, and then soldiers to subdue them. Such statements being caught at by Pagan malevolence, roused terrible suspicions. About the same time the Dutch India Company commenced forwarding its enterprises to the extreme verge of the East; is directors cotestained all the passions of t

authorities by the disclosure of true or false conspiracies, which they alleged to exist between the Neophytes and the Court of Madrid. This adious policy even led them to the act of delivering up to the Japanese two Spanish religious whom they found upon a vessel captured by one of their pirates, and these men were burned alive. However, no nation should be accused for the wrongs and ctimes committed by its representatives. Then, as now, Holland contained a number of Catholic inhabitants who were horrified at such perfidiousness. Protestants also blushed at such atrocities, and one of their class, the historian Kæmpfer, expressed openly his un-

mitigated indignation. At the first grumbling of the storm the Christians prepared for martyrdom by prayer, penance, and almsgiving. They confessed their faith more undisguisedly than ever: the men sent in eagerly their names and those of their families to be enrolled in lists taken by the magistrates, whilst women of quality worked beforehand those dresses they wished to wear on the day of sacrifice in order to make a more decent and solemn appearance, and the youngest children took delight in the thinking that they would accompany their mothers. At last, upon the 30th of December, 1596, the govereign of Japan waived all temporising in this matter, and issued sentence of death against six religious of the Order of St. Francis, three of whom were children under lifteen years of age, " for having preached the Christian law in contravention of the order of the ruler." Upon the 5th of February 1597, the martyrs were led forth to one of the eminences overhanging the city of Nangazaqui, where they gazed upon an innumerable assembly of bystanders, and six and twenty crosses ready for execution. When they were fastened to them and the executioners began to erect them, one of them intoned the canticle, of Zachary: "Now thou dost dismiss thy servant, O Lord, in peace!" All the rest continued the canticle, and whilst the executioners pierced them with lances, they closed their hymn in Heaven .- (Pp. 222-224.)

#### Correspondence.

FOR THE CROSS.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN NEW BRUNSWICK.

No. 4.

GENTLEMEN,

In this letter I intend to be an Editor. for the great and desirable purpose of avoiding the frequent occurrence of that shameless egotistical personal pronoun which is ever standing in the way. We therefore, shall proceed. With a light little waggon and a tight little mare we took our departure from the Capital on our way to Miramichi. If one intended to write an essay on patriotism we should have an excellent opportunity now, because you will please bear in mind that we were wending our way fast to the place where, as the ballad says, "we was born on." It will be no harin, at all events, to say that on our setting out, no man living ever felt more happy. If we had been dwelling at home since our infancy, these feelings of happiness would not be so strong; but our extreme delight upon this occasion will be accounted for in the fact that we had been absent from his same sweet home for the last twenty four years. Twas, therefore, a romantic trip and

"The voices of my home !- I hear them still! They had been with me through the dreamy

The blessed household voices, wont to fill. My heart's clear depths with unalloyed delight!

I hear them still, unchanged :- tho' some from earth

Are music-paried, and the tones of mirth-Wild, silvery tones, that rang thro' days more bright!

Have died in others,-yet to me they come Singing of boyhood back—the voices of my home!

How the time flagged !- We were at the nascent Protestantism, together, with haired of goal five bundred and fifty thousand times Spain, whose yoke they had jest shaken off, that day, though not in reality. This is a nud were eagerly heat on maintaining the matter of fact world, and consequently the great interest of that trade which could only free unfettered mind an inilated distance he based on the rum of rival establishments; and anticipated pleasure, in vain. We Their emissaries reached Japan and sought had to wait till we got there in reality to foster the apprehension of the superior. to foster the apprehension of the superior, We passed the beautiful Nashwalk in

part of the Country where miles of Raspberries reddened upon our right and left. Then we vanished amidst forests deep, dark and dismal, where the trees were so buge and towering, that you would fancy they had been there since eternity. After travelling for about forty miles through alternate woods and clearances we emerged at last into an open country which brought over us feelings of a very melancholy nature. This was the place where the great fire of twenty five swept along, destroying almost every thing in its raging career. On us the traces of its ravages, had more than ordinary effect, because that was the fire which compelled us to take refuge for the span of a whole night neckdeep in the river and which afterwards banished us from natale solum. By a road on either side of which we beheld nothing but branchless, barkless trees and burrens, all the sad remains of that fatal conflagration-we got upon the banks of the south west branch of the Miramichi. Ata place adjacent to this, and called "the Forks' there is a neat Chapel forty five by thirty feet, but not being immediately near us it did not meet our view. We were delighted with the scenery around this lovely stream. The soil looked rich and luxuriant to the highest degree, and there was a softness in the air hereabouts so salubrious that we quaffed it with all the greediness and gusto with which a Toper would his wine. In a short time after, we gained the ferry opposite Nelson and Newcastle. Here was a scene fit for the eye " in fine phrenzy rolling." Free and broad and bright the river dashed out here, looking magnificent, with "skies in it shining more bright than the skies." New Brunswick! then should it becalled Land of Streams? Ay-he-cause wherever we take our way-'tis streams, still streams. From this exact point the Miramichi widens and widens as it runs, until at last it displays itself at the mouth in a brilliant sheet of waters twenty miles in breadth. We crossed over to the Castle—then on to Douglas Town—then over the river a second time, when to our great joy and satisfaction, we were told that we were standing in Chatham. Indeed ! And this is the place that we so much sighed to see? And this is the place to which our heart true as the needle to the pole, ever, ever turned? And this is the place that so often shone though dimly, in our dreams? And this is the place—the place where we were born? Home! home, sweet home. Ye twenty four years all passed and gone! like the waters of the Jordan on a memorable day, ye now flee back as it were, to your beginning and we are a boy again.

quick time-got along through a certain

Messrs. Editors, -Do ye think that we in such circumstances, though our heart thro' troubles to toils and tears and this wicked world, had ground as hard as hickory, do ye think that we could stand amid such a scene and feel no inspiration? Impossible. And so we took up our old out of it this voluntary, to which we are sure you will give a corner.

HAIL TO CHATHAM.

And this, ye say, is Chatham-My darling, native spot, Both me and mine forgetting But not by me forgot. Oh! little cherished village I hail thee with that joy, Which blessed me in thy borders When roved I there a boy. Who can describe the feeling, That o'er cometh me now, Filling with light, with rapture My heart and brain and brow ?-None-none but him who wanders And wanders far away, ... And lives in other circles Thro' many a fleeting day. My own-my native Cliatham! Twice twelve long years have passed The sweetest of my being,-Since I beheld thee, last. But oh I thou art so changed now, So all unlike the same; That Luo more could love thee, If 'twere not for thy name. And sure a name is something

There's magic in the sound, Now, at its very echo Sweet thoughts come crowding 'round, It banishes late seasons, And brings about a dream, Where buried boyhood waketh Bright as the morning's beam And present cares and sorrows Are banished from the heart And all man's dark existence No longer holds a part. And childhood's guileless gambols, And youth's bright dreams sublime, Again are taken-tasted-And bring back vanished time.

What! am I told, delighted, A sweeter thing is there. To bind me to this hamlet So long, long lost and dear? Yes-hard by yonder allev. The old roof standeth, still, When I first started forward Life's fleet task to fulfill. Old roof! I gaze upon thee, With fonduess none may know. Old roof ! old home ! I hail thee, With joys words cannot show. And is there yet another-Another link to bind Existence to existence And growing mind to mind? Ay-he is here who named me, When o'er my brow were poured The blest baptisman waters That cleansed me for the Lord. But all the rest are vanished

Unknowing and unknown, And in my own loved birth place, I stand alone-alone! And so, the name, the roof-tree, The sponsor, and-no more Are all, O Chatham ! left thee To greet me on thy shore! But there are sweetest witch'ries, My joy-my bliss supreme, Making ideal, real, And life a blessed dream. Then hail to thee, fair Chatham ! My darling, native spot, Tho' thou hast me forgotten Thou shalt not be forgot.

But we are forgetting what should be uppermost in our mind. We think it is time to visit the Church. We saw it long. ago-we saw it three miles from Chatham. As we remarked once before about our sites, it is just in a place where a man with dimmer eyes than ours might see itexactly overtopping the town like a citadel, It is a most respectable edifice. The dimensions are sixty by forty. As regards vestments, vessels and all other religious service, 'tis about one of the best'stocked churches in the Diocese. We think the side galleries are too prominent. The crucifixion, too, we consider rather agonizing. The vestry is a splendid one. It has apartments and compartments for books, robes, flowers, censers, all that is needed. The bell is the best in the town. The choir is good. If we begin to speak of the graveyard and glebe house, and the ground, we would scarcely have time to do so at one sitting. The shortest way, we rusty lyre, almost stringless, and we struck think, of giving a full description would be this. Imagine to yourselves one of the airiest, prettiest, sunniest scenes in the regions of fancy-that done, get an recurate idea of a handsome, new, spacious house such as a man of taste and judgment would be likely to build for his own comfort, and convenience—there think of an appropriate green spot surrounded by a neat white pallisading and divided evenly by a right good gravel walk, shaded on either hand with the choicest trees-when your brains will have been filled with ideas such as these, then add whatever spare notions you may have of the comfortable, serviceable and requisite, and then you will be merely at the suburbs of the city—the shadow of the reality—that's all. We are not praising up Chatham because 'tis our native place. Don't believe a word of it, but if you do, let your own eyes assure you. In the mean time, before we bid adieu to Chatham, we should suggest to you the propriety of calling on the Rev. incumbent there, and we will be guarantee that for hospitality you never meet the beat' of him " since you were boys."

Yours, &c. M. A. W. New Brunswick, Sept. 28, 1849.

#### LATIN EPITAPHS-THE LATE MR. JOHN RYAN.

To the Editors of the Cross.

GENTLEMEN,-I have read with much pleasure in your interesting journal the lines which have been inscribed at Frenchtown to the memory of the famented Abbe Sigogne, and it occurred to me that you might wish to have a copy of a similar tribute which was justly paid to the memory, benevolence, piety and talents of the late Mr. Ryan a native of Halifax. Mr. John Ryan the subject of this Epitaph was the son of Mr. Patrick Ryan a merchant of this city. From his earliest years he manifested a decided vocation for the Ecclesiastical State, and the whole ambition of his life was to become a Priest that he might devote his ministry to the propagation of the Holy Cathone Faith, in this his native city and Province. These holy desires were seconded by his truly virtuous mother, who even in her widowhood made the sacrifice of her only son to God, and sent him to Europe in his tender years for the purpose of prosecuting his studies. This devont woman whose religious life is well remembered in Halifax, was never destined to meet her beloved child, at deast on this side of the grave. Young Ryan was first placed in St. John's College at Waterford, where his talents and amiable disposition soon made him; a universal favourite. He never forgot his native place. Halifax was constantly on his lips and in his heart, and he burned for the time when he should be enabled to return to Nova Scotia to devote his life to the spiritual welfare of his countrymen. His holy anxiety on this subject was a source of constant edification to his companions. After some years spent with great profit in the College at Waterford, Mr. Ryan event to the Eternal City to prosecute his studies in Sacred Literature. In Romo he was soon greatly distinguished for his piety and talents as the inscription on his monument testifies. But alas! in the inscrutable designs of Heaven the Church of Nova Scotia was to be deprived of the services of one of her most gifted children. His unabated thirst for study must no doubt have injured his health, and brought into fuller maturity the early seeds of decay in his constitution. God was pleased to accept the desires of his heart in place of their fulfilment, and to transplant him into a better land whilst he was yet in the flower of his age. During his last illness his tender devotion and ardent desire to be united to God, moved even to tears those who had the happiness to behold him. He died far away from the land he loved, but not in exile. In Rome, the city of the Soul, where no Catholic is a stranger, he breathed his last on the 10th of March, 1836. His Monument is erected in the Church of the Propaganda at Rome, and is I have heard the only one erected to the memory of a Student in that hallowed spot, where the Apostles of so many distant countries are trained to zeal, virtue and that by his last will, Mr. Ryan bequeathhis valuable library and all his property for the benefit of Religion in his native Province. It must be no small gratification to the people of Halifax to know that one of their fellow citizens has been so highly honoured both in life and death in the capital of the Christian world, as will appear from the following Inscription, for which I am indebted to the kindness of a gentleman.

Memoriae et Quieti Johanna O. Ryan Domo Halifaxine in Nova Scotia. Qui Excellenti Ingenio Florens. Assidua literarum in Collegio Urbano. Cum Ingenti erga Deum Pietato, et Mozibus.

Integerimis, Christiane Consocious Sodalibus Exemplo Fuit.
Religionis apud Populares suos propagandao Studiosissimus. Desideruim Ministerii Sui. Patrimonio Locupletissimo

Ad Seminarium Constituendum Adsignato Abunde Compensavit.

Pius decessit VI Id. Mart. An. MDCCCXXXVI Agens Annos XX.
Exuviis in Hoc Templo Religiose inlatis

Amico et Conterranco Cari simo Michael Tobinins Monumentam Posuit.

Hoping that you will give a place to the above, at least to the Epitaph, in your columns. I remain yours, &c.

A CATHOLIC OF HALIFAX.

#### The Eross;

HALIFAX, SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 24.

M. Power, Printer.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

We live in an age of wonders. The events of two centuries have been crowded into eighteen months. War, famine, plague, and all the thousand ills which flesh is heir to, have devastated the world. The spirit of mischief, the genius of havoc and destruction seem to have ruled the destinies of the universe; kingdoms, provinces and cities have been ravaged and laid waste. The old institutions of civilized Europe have been assailed by the concentrated energies of pagan philosophy and barbarian crime In this war of the furious elements the Bark of Peter did not escape. All the wickedness of earth and hell seem to have been let loose upon the Church of God. In no direction were the assaults more furious than upon the metropolis of Christianity. The 'city of the saints' sat solitary, "the mistress of nations' became a widow, the Princess of provinces was made tributary. The enemy had put out his hand to all her desirable things: for she has seen the gentiles enter into her sanctuary!" Great was the triumph of her enemies; loud were the rejoicings and bitter the taunts of those who longed for the destruction of the Catholic Faith. Infidel Protestantism gloated with savage fury over the destruction of Rome, and to that city in its recent desolation might be truly applied the soul-touching language of the Prophet of sorrows: 'All they that passed by the way have clapped their hands at thee; they have hissed and wagged their heads, saying: Is this the city of perfect beauty, the joy of all the earth? All thy enemies have opened their mouth against thee, they have hissed and gnashed with the teeth, and have said; we will swallow her up: Lo, this is the day which we looked for; we have found it, we have seen it.

paired of the fulfilment of their simster recent trial. Never was the omnipotence of heavenly meekness in opposition to brute force, more fully displayed than in the person of Pius IX. Whilst the learning, under the very shadow of the downfall of the Catholic Clurch was Sanctuary. It should not be forgotten predicted, she was girding up her strength for battle with all the enemies of humanity and religion. She was drawing forth from her mexhaustible armoury new weapons to wield against the hydra-headed monsters of infidelity and heresy; her youth was being renewed like the eagle's, and in the renovation of her discipline, she was raising new bulwarks in fact that within the very year of revolunors more Provincial Councils were held than in any half century since the miscalled Reformation. In Ireland, in France, in Italy and Germany as well as much pleasure. in America, the Princes of the Church Rev. John Carmody have assembled in solemn deliberation Rev. L. Byrne

the Saints, to guard and securely transmit that precious Deposit; to record their unalterable attachment to the See of Peter, and their affectionate homage to the Vicar of Jesus Christ. In Baltimore, and Tuam, in Paris and Vienna, in Lyons and Turin, in Tours and Florence and Rheims, National and Provincial Connoils have been held, or are in Session, whilst the Bishops of several other Ecclesiastical Provinces are preparing to follow those noble examples. And if one thing more than another be remarkable in their Decrees it is the declaration of their love and reverence for the Bishop of Bishops, and their unshrinking fidelity to the Great Centre of Unity. In suffering and in exile Pius IX. has received from the universal Church even more homage than when he was enthroned in the Quirmal. This is a great and significant fact which no doubt has made an impression on the opponents of Catholicity, and which ought to convince them that there is an indestructible vitality in our Church which nothing can extinguish. And it is not with mere protestations of attachment, no matter how sincere, with which the Father of the Fathful has been greeted. His devoted children in the midst of their own sufferings, even in the midst of pestilence and famine as in Ireland, have sent him in the hour of need the pious offerings of grateful hearts. This spectacle of Faith so sublime and so consoling is one which only the Catholic Church can exhibit, because she can say with the Apostle of the Gentules Cum enim infirmor, tunc potens

#### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We must still crave the indulgence of our respected Correspondent Sacerdos.

P.—The inside of the Church at the Eastern Passage is plaistered, and we believe the altar is painted. The consecration of the Church will not take place, we are told, until the commencement of next spring. The Cemetery is blessed, and the fact has been already announced.

An American -The account published from the New York Paper of the conversion to the Catholic Faith of the Rev. Dr. Forbes of St. Luke's Episcopal Church in that city, we believe to be entirely correct. We have read some of his sermons, and they are full of Catholic principles, and we have known for a long time that this worthy Divine had the strongest leanings in favour of Catholicity. Not one clergy. man in New York was more universally and deservedly respected than Dr Forbes.

Bem. New Brunswick .- We have received the production alluded to, and have been exceedingly amused at its clever, graphic, humorous descriptions and caustic wit. It would indeed be an extin-The enemies of God's Church have, | guisher, if the subject of it had not already however, reckoned without their host extinguished himself. Pointing a culverin Even for some time past they have des- at a weasel, or in more vulgar parlance, flinging water on a drowned rat, is an unprognostications. Never did the Church necessary expenditure of two of the four triumph more gloriously than during the elements. You could not gratify such folk more, than to swell them into a momentary importance by noticing their puny attacks. They dread the silence of contempt far more than even the whipthong of public exposure. There must be at least two parties to fight as well as to a And what opponent we ask would accept

#### SALMON RIVER.

In addition to the sums mentioned in desence of her Faith. It is a remarkable our last, another subscription was opened by the worthy Catholics who built that Church, for the purpose of erecting a spire, and completing the exterior of the building. This we also publish with Mr. Thomas Connor, adjoining St. Patrick's

to testify to the Faith once delivered to James McCarthy

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some and generous contributions already announced, speaks for itself, and so noble an example should be a stimulus to our fellow Catholics in other parts of the

THE ORPHAN ASYLUM.

Since our last publication we have learned with much pleasure that several valuable articles for the approaching Bazaar have been sent to the Convent of the Sisters of Charity. May the Father of the orphan reward the pious donors; and preserve their families and friends from the desolation of crphanage!

### THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH.

The adjourned Quarterly Meeeting of this Association will be held in St. Mary's Vestry on to-morrow immediately after Vespers.

#### THE NEWS FROM EUROPE. "

The Steamer arrived on yesterday. The news is not very important. Various journals announce the speedy return of the Pope to the Eternal City.

With respect to our local religious affairs, we may mention that the Bill for the Incorporation of the Catholic Bishop of Halifax has received the Royal Assent and is now the Law of the Land. Under this Bill all the Catholic Properties in the City and County of Halifax can be secured forever! for the Sacred purposes to which they are now applied, and will pass from Bishop to Bishop in regular succession.

#### THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH.

THE Cross.-This Journal was originated under the auspices of that excellent and pious Institution, the Halifax Branch of the great Catholic Society for the Propagation of the Faith. We again invite the co-operation of our fellow Catholics in this and the neighboring Provinces. We especially court the valuable assistance of the members of the Association for the Propagation of the Catholic Faith With their powerful aid, our circulation might be double\*its present amount in the city of Halifax alone; and to bring this useful weekly bargain. Without an antagonist no man Periodical within the reach of every one in could exercise his pugilistic powers. Halitax, we are anxious that our friends in different parts of the city should assist us in the challenge of a sweep, especially if the the sale of the Paper. The following have latter had his soot-bag on his shoulder? already promised their services in the kindest manner, to promote this religious work, and the Cross can be regularly had from them at an early hour on the mornings of publication: Mr. James Donohoe, Market Square.

- Mr. Forristall, corner of Brunswick and Jacob Streets ;
- Mr. John Barron, corner of Gottingen, and Cornwallis streets;
- Church.
- Mr. Joseph Roles, Water Street, near Fairbanks' Wharf.
- 0 0 Mr. Thomas Thorne, Dartmouth

How the Irish are Treated-Church Ассомморатиом.

The following is a portion of a Letter from Mr. Sergeant Shee, dated Thomastown, Co., Kilkenny, 20th Sept, 1549 .-

A faw years ago, intending to spend the lust fortugat of October at the place from which I date this letter, I passed with a few Catholic friends through some of the German states, in which the ancient faith of Christian Europe is still wrestling with the northest bequeathed by Calvin and Luther to their countrymen. Wherever we went we lound that a studious deference was paid by the ruler to the religious convictions of his subjects. At Brussels the Lutheran Leopold, like his august niece at Craitine, might be seen in respeciful attendance at the holy offices of a Church, which is not his own, but to which his wire, his children, and his subjects have the happiness to belong. At Cologne the son of the powerful monarch whose pride was broken by the constancy of a Drost de Vischering in company with King Ernest of Hanover, made his offering to the treasurry of the glorious Minister. In Protestant Frankfort, spacious churches were set a part for the public prayers of a large Roman Catholic immority. I pass over the territories of Baden, she Church Communism of which, though intended as a recognition of the great principle of religious equality, it is hard to stomach, and go on to Basle & Berne, where in deference to the notions of a vast majority of the people, ancient Roman Catholic architecture has been manned, into Calvinistic conformity. You are consoled for the loss which taste and Catholicity have here sustained by the strict justice done, before the recent troubles, in point of church accommodation, to the fights of a majority, in the Cantons of Schwestz, Lucerne,

Fribourg, and Unterwalden. . There is no Catholic Church in the British dominions which will bear comparison, for architectural beauty or richness of internal decoration, with the Catholic church of St. Urs, in the capital of Soleure, a state not more than half as large as your diocese of Cioyne, than all, the parishes churches of Cloyne, certain fruits of social peace and happiness. Passing down the Bodensee we landed at the small town of Lindau in Bavaria, where, for a mixed population of Catholics and Protestants, two churches, one Catholic and the other Protestant, of equal size and pretensions, have been crected. Having heard Mass at the former, we journesed on to Muldenheim, in which two beautiful churches are devoted to the worship of a Roman Catholic majority. Thence to a small place called Luitkyrch, which we reached in time for vespers. Never shall I forget the spectacle contrasted in my memory with what I had often witnessed here, at Thomastown--which the church of this burgh, of pernaps 2,000 inhabitants, presented. It is a spacious edifice in the Grecian style, with a gorgeous after piece, and built upon a plan common in the Bavarian territory, with just enough of ornament in every part of it to devote that the religion of the villagers, for whose public prayer it was destined, is cherished and honoured by the Slate. When the bells had ceased to ring, scarcely a creature was visible in the streets. Within the walls a passage wide enough for the suitable display of the ceremonies of the Catholic church separated the women and the men. The congregation appeared for the most part to be of the class of agricultural labourers, and yet all had prayer-books or rosaries in their hands, and seats, and benches to kneel upon It was pleasant, when the service was over, to see the number that langered at their devotions, enjoyed without molestation or inconventence to one another, and to observe the pride, excited by the increst of strangers in their handsome church, which seemed to mantle on the countenances of the well-dresshead-dresses, and gold and silver ornaments, ble manse, to pay their respects to the Priest, mingen, where the mass of the people, and, as a matter of course, the large churches also are Protestants. The same at Naremburgand at Augsburg, as I learnt, a fair enough sermon, and the sale still recent of the sacred arrangement. At Ratisuon again, and at vessels of their Church, that he fled in terror Wurtzburgh, the majority are Catholics and to his castle. Here, since the second year of most of the churches in their hands. But what the reign of Elizabeth, and in punctual obedisoali I say of Munich, the capital of a Catholic sence to her act of uniformay, a Dean, Pre-

another, I thought of a city with which Munich, except for the treasures of air conferred upon it by poor King Louis, and the churches which he erected or enriched, will bear no comparison-of how many meals it must have cost to build that cathedral of Archbishop Murray, which the Queen and her consort might not even see, of the nakedness of St. Andrew's, the misery of Clarendon street -I remembered how twenty-four years ago, the late venerable Bishop of Cork tooked, and fretted, and denied houseli for the means of adding a few ornaments to the church near his residence-that money, not taste or art, or skill, were needed for his pious effort at a cathedral worthy of his see, and wondered tongues of the Irish Catholic would ceaseere they would know that their real sirength is in the church for which they have suffered so much, and be up as freemen to assert and obtain its rights.

Of all I saw in that short tour, I witnessed what pained me most at Berne. Intending called the French church. On reaching it, I was informed by the doorkeeper that the Catholic prayers were over, and that the French Protestant service had commenced. A large veil had been drawn across the sanctuary, and a Protestant Clergyman was preaching to a few French Protestants. ligious equality would here appear to exhibit itself in the odious features of religious indifference. But is this arrangement half so shocking as what you are content to see all the days of our lives in every parish and town in Ireland? Is it comparable in its elaborate indignity to the condition of things in the diocese from which I write, where, for a population of 230,000 souls, the State, at a cost to the people during the last sixty years (besides ordinary repairs) of £23,092 19s. 113d, has provided church accomodation for not more than 9,500 persons? I have told you of Cologne and Frankfort, of Soleure and Memmingen, of Ratisbon and Nuremburg, with more Protestants in one balliwick of it, let me now invite your attention to the cathethan all, the parishes churches of Cloyne, dral city of Ossory. Kilkenny has a populathough they were full to sufficiation, could tion of 23,625 souls, of whom 21,000 at least contain. In the Glarus and Appenzel, reli- are Catholics. They have four Catholic lately, between Protestants and Catholics its persons, built, of course, and maintained by the voluntary offerings of the people. Of these, two are externally handsome structures. but one of them is without an altar or internal furniture of any kind for use or ornament. Dr. Kinsella, the late Bishop, commenced, about eight years since, the building of a larger church, capable of containing 2,000 persons, and £10,000, collected for the most part in pence and halfpence, have been already expended upon it. You might fancy yourself at Salisbury, as your eye clings to the beautiful simplicity of its carly Gathic Applications have been made to the Board of Works, for assistance towards its completion, but though the memorials of that object were presented, when employment on a work so extensive might have saved many families from the horror of that dire calamity of which it has been woll said, that it of all others " come the nearest to the heart, and is that in which the proudest of us all teels himself to be nothing more than he is"-they were made in vain; they had no funds for such purposes.

Within an arrow's flight of this effort of modern piety, this sname of modern intolerance, in a district of which the population is almost to a man Roman Catholic, stands the old cathedral of St Canice. This church, 226 feet long, 129 feet broad, divided into nave, aisles, transept, choir, and chancel, and admirably adapted to the accompdation of a populous city, was erected in the twelfth century, and endowed for the sustentation of its as if in jest by the officials, "the parich church," it is still in excellent preservation. ed men, and of the women, with butterfly It was here that the first Protestant Bishop, John Bale, the ruffian of the Irish Reforma " Virulent and acrimonious impugner of who had just left the sacristy. On to Mem- Popery," uttered his foul slanders against the Catholic Priesthood. It was from its pulpit, amidst the yells and execrations of a multitude incensed by the blasphemy of his first

Well, as I went from one fine temple to and prays six days in every week to the vacant stalls-on the sventh to at most 150 worshippers, who may chance to prefer the cathedral service to the more commodious sittings at St. Mary's and St. John's capable together of accomodating 1,000 persons, and much more than sufficient for the need of the Protestant inhabitants. These gates of St. Camee have been charlishly closed for three centuries against the Roman Catholic posterity of its Roman Catholic founders, and though ! twenty years have passed since Catholic Emancipation, not one petition against the wrong has yet struck the ear or startled the conscience of British justice !

But "there's a good time coming " You will see by a number of the Kilkenny Journal; how long it would be, before the namb which I which I send you (and invite your attention to the penal laws have left upon the hearts and its leading atticle), that the revered Bishop of this Diocese has thought right to bring the propriety of petitioning for increased Catholic Church accommodation at the expence of the Irish ecclesiastical revenue before his Clergy at their recent conferences. Judging from his public conduct since his consecration, there is \ Xacier, pray for us. no prelate less inclined to political agitation to hear Mass, I was directed to what was than Dr. Walsh. His Lordship, no donot, feels this to be a question strictly religious, and his example is of infinite weight and the parent institution in France, viz:

THE PROTESTANT MINISTERS AND THE CATHOLIC CLERGY OF JERSEY.—A COFFESPOR dent of the Impartial (Jersey Protestant paper), writes an indignant letter to that joural on the gross neglect of the Protestant Clergy of that island, during the cholera, of visiting the sick among the flocks of which they pretend to take the charge. The editor corroborates the justice of his remarks, and adds the following honourable testimony to the contrary conduct on the part of the Catholic Priests: "If the ministers of the Established Church, who alone receive money for interments, have, to tell the truth, altogether disappeared (tout-a-fait disparu) since the invasion of the cholera, if they have been looked for in vain at the bed of the sick, if the dying have sought in vain from them for the consolations of religion, we are happy to be able to say that such has not been the conduct of all ministers, and of all preachers, and that besides MM. Ph. de Carteret, and Ph. Le Sueur, whom one was always sure to gious and church equality had produced, until chapels capable at most of containing 6,000 | find where the pestilence was at its worst, at the side of the sick, either in the hospital, or in private houses, the two priests of the Roman Catholic chapel of Vauxhall, have also very legitimate claims to the public gratitude, for the zeal and devotedness with which they have constantly fulfilled the duties of their ministry, not only among their co-religionists, but also among all the sick indiscriminately."

#### REFORM.

Bradford.—From Halifax Mr. Prentice went to Bradford, where, on Tuesday, 16th inst., he " addressed a numerous and respectable audience in the Temperance Hall." The topics were of the old sort. The remarks on war took it for granted that the object of war was to kill a certain number of them, and he denounced war as a very dear method of accomplishing this result. The first sentences of his speech, as given in the Daily News, are as follows: \_ " A Christian poet has said, 'War is a game 'which, were their subjects wise, kings would not play at;' and, indeed, a more expensive pastime could not well have been devised. Growing oranges in our climate to cost two shillings a piece, when we can have them from the Azore Islands at a halfpenny, would be a folly not a hundredth part so ridiculous as to pay so much as we do for the killing of a man. Emile Girardin, in his paper La Presse, states fabric, and the becoming celebration of Divine that from 1792 tin 1010, no conscription in With 4.500.000 were raised by conscription in that from 1792 till 1815, no fewer than the exception of one ruined chapel, called. France, and their lives expended, as the phrase is, during the war, except the remnant which escaped at Waterloo. Say that four millions of lives were thus 'expended' on the part of France, and that as they made their way to the snug comforta- I tion, the man whom Dr. Leland calls the | four millions more met death on the side of the countries with which France was at war. What was the cost of killing those eight millions of men? England spent £1,100,000,000 in the contest, and the other countries warring against France must have spent £900,000,000 more. We have here a plain arithmetical question. If it cost two thousand millions of and sea at all seasons of the year. money to kill eight millions of men, how prince, whose liberality to those who differed centor, Chancellor, Archdeacon, Treasurer, much did it cost to kill no man? The who wish to learn the French language withfrom him, and manufacence to the church of or one of seven Prebendanes, enjoying large answer is, two hundred and fifty pounds out any extra charge. There is at present a his ancestors, will be told with honour to his incomes in right of their dignities and of the sterling. (Hear.) What a monstrous we cancy for a few Boarders. name, for ages after his follies are forgotten benefices "forming the choir thereof," reads, sum for the slaving of one man " Halifax, July 14, 1849.

#### **ASSOCIATION**

For the Propagation of the Faith, Established in Hattfax 22d January, 1843.

Titis pious and truly charitable " Inst 'ution of the Propagation of the Faith was low ded at Lyons, in the year 1822, it is now established throughout France, Belgium, Germa y, Italy, Switzerland, Portugal, Ircland, Englas d &c. Its object is to assist, by Prayers and Alms, the Catholic Missionaries who are engaged in preaching the Gospel in distant and especially idolatrous Nations.

To become a MEMBER of this Institution, two conditions only are requisite, viz :—

1st,-To subscribe the small sum of one Half-penny per week.

2nd,-To recite every day a Pater and Are for the Propagation of the Faith-or it is sufficient to offer, with this intention, the Pater and Eve of a daily Morning or Even-ing Prayers, adding each time, "St. Francis

The following Indulgences are granted to the Members of the Association throughout the world, who are in communication with

1st,-A Plenary Indulgence on the 3d May the Feast of the Finding or the Holy Cross on the 3d Dec., the Feast of St. Francis Xavier, the Patron of the Institution; and once a month, on any day, at the choice of each Subscriber, provided he say, every day within the month, the appointed prayer.

To gain the Indulgence he must be sorry for his sins, go to confession, receive the Holy Communion, and visit devoutly the Parish Church or Chapel, and there offer up his prayers for the prosperity of the Church, and for the intention of the Sovereign Pontiff. In case of sickness or infirmity subscribers are dispensed from the visit to the Parish Church. provided they fulfil to the best of their power, and with the advice of their Confessor, the other necessary conditions.

2nd .- An Indulgence of an hundred days, each time that the prescribed prayer will, with at least a contrite heart, be repeated, or a donation made to the Missions, or any other pious or charitable works performed.

All these Indulgences, whether plenary or partial, are applicable to the souls in purg

THE ANNALS OF THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITIS, published once every second month, communicate the intelligence received tar ough the several Missions throughout the world, and a return of the receipts from each diocese and their distribution, is given once a year.

Meetings of the Halifax Association are held in the Cathedral Vestry four times a year, under the presidency of the Bishop.

Donations or subscriptions from the country may be remitted to any of the Rev. gentlemen at St. Mary's. July 21.

# Young Ladies' Academy.

Under the direction of the Ladies of the

Sacre Cæur.

## Brookside, Malifax, NovaScotia

THE Public are respectfully informed that an Academy for Young Ladies has been opened at Brookside, where a solid and refined Education will be given to Day Pupils and Boarders.

The healthy situation and beautiful grounds of Brookside are so well known to the citizens of Halifax as to require no special description. Music, the Modern Languages, and every branch of a polite Education will be taught.

The formation of the hearts of the Young, Ladies to virtue, and the culture of their minds by the study of those subjects tended to constitute a superior education, being the great object which the Ladies of the Sacre Cœur have in view, no pains will be: spared to attain the desired end

The system pursued is strictly parental, andthe mild influence of virtue is the guiding principle which enforces their regulations.-The terms, which are moderate, may beknown on application to Madame Pracock. Superioress, either personally or by letter.

It is unnecessary to point out to Parents at a distance, the central position of Halifax, its many advantager as a place of Education, and the facility of communication both by land

Every opportunity is afforded to those Panils