

sum of 20,000 francs. The Passionists, who have not got the money, are making an appeal for it to the Catholics of the English-speaking world.

INDIA.—The Archdiocese of Goa.—His Grace the Archbishop Patriarch of Goa has undertaken the establishment of an English College under the Jesuit Fathers. It is further proposed to provide Goa with a technical college and an agricultural farm.

ROME.—The Beginning of the Century.—Notwithstanding inclement weather, many persons attended the Midnight Masses which were celebrated in all the churches in Rome at the end of the year. The Pope, who reluctantly yielded to the advice of his physician and abandoned his intention of offering up Midnight Mass in St. Peter's, celebrated Mass in his private chapel at midnight, members of the Pontifical Court and a small number of specially invited personages being present. At St. Peter's Cardinal Rampolla officiated. Among the enormous congregation were the Duke of Norfolk and other English pilgrims. The streets presented a spectacle of great animation up to a late hour, and a number of houses were illuminated.

Proposed Monument to Adrian IV.—A project is on foot to erect a monument in St. Peter's, Rome, to Nicholas Breakspear, Adrian IV., the only Englishman who has been Pope. The only other Englishmen who have a monument in the Vatican Basilica are the two last Stuart pretenders, who were commemorated in marble by the great Canova. The scheme has been started through the enterprise of Mr. Griselle, of Oxford, who hopes to raise sufficient funds among English Catholics.

A Year's Work.—Dr. Lapponi, the Pope's physician, states that his Holiness, despite his recent fatigue, is in excellent health. During 1900 the Pope had officiated at seventy functions at St. Peter's, received twenty-five pilgrimages, given separate audiences to several thousand persons, issued eighty Encyclicals and Apostolic Letters, and composed several poems.

The English Pilgrimage.—Although the 'Anno Santo' has been officially closed, it is generally felt in Vatican circles (writes a Rome correspondent) that one of the most important episodes connected with that privileged period is the English pilgrimage which has arrived here. Indeed it would be difficult to quote another occasion in which so eminently representative a body of English Catholics, led by two such august personages as Cardinal Vaughan and the Duke of Norfolk, journeyed to the Eternal City in order to do homage to the Vicar of Christ. The bulk of the pilgrimage, numbering 210 members, personally conducted by the Duke of Norfolk, took up their quarters at the Hotel de Rome. That the pilgrimage is one of the most representative ones which ever left the British Isles may be gathered from the following list of its leading components:—The Duke of Norfolk, Lord and Lady Edmund Talbot, Lady Philippa Stewart, Lord Herries and daughter, Major-General Law,

Colonel Lawson, the Hon and Mrs Walter Maxwell, Lady Marshall, Colonel MacDonnell, Count and Countess Moore, Colonel Reeves, etc. The hierarchy is represented by Cardinal Vaughan, the Bishops of Newport, Birmingham, Cismus, Salford, Portsmouth, and Phocaea, while the resident English prelates, namely, Archbishop Stonor, Monignors Stanley, Giles, Schobel, Slaughter, Prior, Lindsay, and others, are also aggregated to the pilgrimage. A number of English Catholics residing in Rome, Florence, Naples, and other Italian towns have likewise asked and obtained to share in the spiritual exercises and privileges of the pilgrimage, so that, although the number of pilgrims coming directly from England is rather limited the group to be received by the Holy Father will amount to at least five hundred persons.

SCOTLAND.—Bigotry Snubbed.—We (*Catholic Times*) recently commented on the pitiable narrow-mindedness of Local Commissioners at Lochgilphead in Scotland, who when Mr James McNeil, of Coventry, a Catholic, was appointed postmaster of Lochgilphead petitioned the Postmaster-General to cancel the appointment. Happily the power of these Commissioners for mischief is very limited. The more liberal-minded people of Lochgilphead revolted against such an exhibition of religious prejudice, and a petition protesting against it which was prepared by Messrs W. Ramsay and R. Hamilton received a goodly number of signatures, including those of three ex-Provosts and many other prominent townsmen. The Postmaster-General, of course, had no sympathy with the intolerance of the Commissioners, and Mr McNeil now holds the position for which he is eminently qualified. We trust the rebuff the Commissioners have met with will prove a useful lesson not only to them, but to others who may be inclined to give way to bigotry. It is too bad that at the end of the nineteenth century an attempt should be made to penalise people on account of their creed by excluding them from the public service.

Death of an Oban Priest.—On the morning of Friday, 28th December, at Bishop's House, Oban, there passed away the Rev. Hugh Campbell, in the first flower of his youth and priesthood, for he was only 26, and had been ordained but 18 months ago. So early a death has been a great blow to his relatives, and a grief beyond words to his Bishop and fellow-priests. What increased the sympathy felt for his sorrowing relatives was the fact that he is the third of his family to die within the last six months. Father Campbell had given every promise of being a useful priest. He was of a very gentle and retiring disposition; at the same time earnest in work, and most sensible and reliable. The first 10 months of his short career were spent in assisting partly at the Pro-Cathedral, Oban, and partly at Roybridge, Lochaber; while since June of this year he had been in charge of the mission of Bornish, South Uist. His health had never been robust. Two years before his ordination he had a severe illness, which threatened his life and obliged him to leave France, where he had been studying. He had regained strength considerably, however, by the time he was ordained, and since then he continued to improve, so that the

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