

GENERAL COUNCILS.

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Jerusalem.....	Against Judaizers.....	51	Rome.....	Third Lateran..... 1179
Arles.....	Against the Donatists... 314		Rome.....	Fourth do..... 1215
Nice.....	Œcumenical Council... 325		Lyons.....	Emperor Frederick deposed..... 1243
Constantinople	Arian..... 337		Lyons.....	Temporary reunion of Greek and Latin Churches..... 1274
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Constantinople	Sixth do..... 681		Rome.....	Last Œcumenical..... 1870
Nice.....	Seventh do..... 787			
Constantinople	Eighth do..... 870			
Rome.....	First Lateran..... 1123			
Rome.....	Second do..... 1139			

JEWISH CALENDAR FOR 1873.

5633.	1873.		5633.	1873.	
Sebat.....	Jan. 29		Ab.....	July 25	
Adar.....	Feb. 27, 28		".....	10 August 3	Fast—Destruction of [the Temple.]
" 13	March 12	Fast of Esther.	Elul.....	" 23, 24	
" 14, 15	" 13, 14	Purim.			
Nissan.....	" 29	[over.	5634.	Sep 22, 23	New Year's Feast;
" 15, 16	Apr 12, 13	First two days of Pass-	" 3	" 24	Fast of Gedaliah.
" 21, 22	" 18, 19	Last two days of do.	" 10	Oct. 1	Fast. Day of Atonem't
Iyar.....	" 27, 28		" 15, 16	" 6, 7	First 2 days of Taber-
" 18	May 15	Lag L'Omer.	" 21	" 12	Hosanna Raba [nacles
Sivan.....	" 27		" 22	" 13	Feast of Eighth Day.
" 6, 7	June 1, 2	Feast of Weeks.	" 23	" 14	Feast of the Law.
Tamuz.....	" 25, 26		Heshvan..	" 21, 22	
" 18	July 13	Fast.	Kislev.....	Nov 20, 21	
			" 25	Dec. 15	Feast of Dedication.
			Tebet.....	" 20, 21	

Memorable Days.

JANUARY.

So named from the Roman God Janus, who was represented with two faces, one looking back over the old year, the other forward to the new. It is usually one of the coldest months, and the old proverb

"When the grass grows in Janiveer,
It grows the worse for't all the year"
is particularly applicable to Canada.

1. *Circumcision—New Year's Day*, generally observed as a day of rejoicing throughout the world. In France the custom is universal to make presents to young and old, and in Scotland it is the great holiday of the year.

6. *Epiphany*, or Manifestation of Our Lord to the Gentiles, *Old Christmas Day*, *Twelfth Day*. On this day the Queen, through the Lord Chamberlain annually presents gold, frankincense and myrrh at the Chapel Royal, in imitation of the gifts presented by the Wise Men, to Our Saviour. "Twelfth Day" is always a great festival with young people, being generally the culmination and conclusion of the Christmas Holidays.

Plough Monday: The first Monday after the Epiphany is still observed in many parts of England. Formerly the ploughmen used to go from house to house, collecting money to buy tapers to burn before favorite shrines, to win a blessing on their work.

13. *St. Hilary*, an eminent Defender of the faith against the Arians.

13. *St. Prisca*, Virgin and Martyr, a noble Roman maiden of twelve, who was thrown to the lions, but they refused to touch her; she was then beheaded.

20. *St. Fabian*, Bishop of Rome, Martyr in the Decian persecution A. D. 250. The Eve of St. Agnes, when by using certain charms maidens will be favoured with dreams of their future husbands.

21. *St. Agnes*, a noble Roman Virgin Martyr, A. D. 304.

22. *St. Vincent*, a Spanish Martyr, A. D. 304. The state of the weather is now to be observed by the farmers.

"Remember on St. Vincent's Day,
If that the Sun his beams display."

25. *Conversion of St. Paul*:

"If St. Paule's day be faire and cleare,
It doth betyde a happy yeare;
But if perchance it then should raine,
It will make deare alle kinds of grain;
And if ye clouds make dark ye skie,
Then neate and fowles this year shall dye;
If blustering winds doe blowe aloft,
Then warre shall vex ye realm full oft."

30. *King Charles the Martyr*. The anniversary of the execution of King Charles the First. Until 1869 a special service was held on this day in Church of England.