power to call to their assistance certain persons vert- | both practically and by law. If a landlord existed a | of their class as town connections at the approaching ed in ecclesizatical " law and custom," such as the Provost of Trinity Unlege, the Rev. Dr. Salmon, and Professor Jeliett. It was also determined that the conference should be adjourned sine die, the Duke of Abercorn being empowered to reassemble it if neces-BALY.

The IRISE LAND MAZE. — The 'Spectator' holds that if we only guarantee to those tenants who have made improvements, we do indeed do all that the common laws of honesty require, but we utterly evade the principal political question involved, whether or not policy does not require that in a country where the vast majority of the people are is some sense identified with the land - many of them as small farmers, a large number more as agricultural laborers, who hope to become small farmers - we should leave wholly to mere private contract the determination of the conditions under which the career of the farmer is to be carried on. If the Irish peasant is to have a fair chance in the only career open to him, the law must interfere to lay down the general rule of fixity of tenure in the absence of explicit modifications of that rule form lly agreed to by both parties. Indeed, the 'Spectator' would by no means say that in the present condition of the Irish peasant the law should not absolutely disallow the yearly tenancies and all tenancies under a certain term, if they are likely to be forced upon him by irresistible moral influence The Sa'urday Revi wadmits that, regarding the more remute and general effects of such a measure as that proposed by the Munster Club, it would have the good effect of placing almost the whole of the soil of Ireland under the control of Irishmen; but it would have the oad effect of breaking up, almost to a cer tainty, the whole scheme of Irish society, so far as it is founded on the predominance of a body of resident gentry. If the Munster Club had its way, the smaller gentry would have very little motive for residing on their estates. They would have no social or political power; they could not help their tenants to make improvements nor could they buy them out. They would simply receive so much a year from the land, with nothing to do, with no social or political power. with incomes steadily paid, put not sufficient to make them at all great men; they would soon find country life disagreeable, and would spend their money in places where they could lead a pleasanter and more occupied life. A criticising, a guiding, and a restraining influence would thus be withdrawn from the Irish counties, and a great portion of the wealth derived from the soil would be paid every year to absentees. In course of time, this payment might seem to be an odious burden on the land and the title of absentees to their rents might be questioned.

DUBLIN, Oct 15. - The Special Commission for the trial of Barrett for attempting to murder Captain Lambert re-seembled at Galway yesterday. The Lard Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Keogh were the presiding judges. The only business before the Court was to hear the application of the Attorney-General for the recording of the writ of circurari for removing the indictment ound against Barrett in:o the Court of Queen's Banch. The Attorney-General, in making the application, said that the writ had been obtained for the purpose of emabling him to move in the Court of Queen's Bench in the ensuing term to change the place of trial from the county of Galway This determination had been come to wi h reluctance, but after a careful review of all that had occurred at the last trial the Crown were satisfied that the prisoner should be tried elsewhere than in They had noned that the trial might have Galway. been held in that county in an atmosphere free from those disturbing influences that affect and disturb the discharge of duty and the exercise of calm judgment. In this they had been disappointed A feel ing had surung up in the county such as rendered it almost unreasonable for the Crown to call on the gen emen of the county to incur the risk of dis charging their duty as jurors. After the last trial a juror had been attacked in such a manner that it was necessary for the protection of his person, he might almost say of his life, to convey him to his hotel under the protection of a large constabulary escort. He warned those who instigated or took part in such outrages that they would gain very little by such conduct They made a grievous mistake if they fancied they could warp the course of justice. The authority of the law in this country would not be permitted to be assailed or defied with impunity. As far as was in his power, every juror would have full protection in the discharge of his duties, and in this, and in every other case where similar conduct might be pursued, the investigation would be conducted under such circumstances as. while it would secure a fair trial to the accused would be beyond the reach of any of those disgraceful operations or tactics by which either jurous or witnesses could be exposed either to menace or in timidation We Heron, on behalf of the prisoner. essayed to address the Court, but was promptly checked, and after epeating the attempt several timee, and intimating that it was his intention to test the validity of the proceedings in the Court of Queen's Bouch, he was directed by the Court to resume his seat. The writ was then read, sa ! the Court rose. A large body of constabulary were present to preserve order and to escort the prisoner to and from the courthouse. There was, however, no attempt at disturbance. - Times Cor. The great ground of complaint with the tenant

farmers and all their true friends is that ' property' is not respected by the landlords, and that the property of the tenant-whether it be his money invested in 'improving' his farm, or his moral 'right of continuous occupancy' of the farm on which he and his ancestors settled down as industrial agriculturists -is ignored by law, unprotected by the authorities and liable to be seized by the felonious members of the landlord class. There several classes of property have no protection, and the existing law is not compatible with their continued existence. The notice to quit is is compatible with this tenant property. -One class of property, the improvements made by the tenant, is created by him as he would create a hat, a watch, a pair of shoes, and to rob him of that property is a felony of the deepest dye. The other is a property in which society as well as the terant is interested - his moral right to continue in occupation of the tarm he cultivates. The power to evict capriciously is incompatible with the existence of this solid marketable property - the occupancy right. -That power must cease to exist, and the tenant must by law have his property in the occupation of the farm he tills as securely protected as is the land-lord's property in his fee simple. The tenant must be 'fixed' in the enjoyment of his castle and his estate. That fixedness is the estate of the tenant, and his interest in that estate is shared in by society. Capricious eviction shall no more disturb that property, destroy its value, or hand it over to the But, felonious' members of the landlord body. though fixity of tenure should be so secured, no friend of the tenant claims that the 'fixity' shall be in derogation of, or so adjusted as to be incompatible with, the just rights of the property in the soil which the State has conferred on the landlord. The landlord has a right to resume his land if the tenant refuse or neglect to pay the rent and thus becomes as 'telonious' towards the landlord as certain landlords now are towards tenants. Such 'felonious' propensities, if carried into action, would ' unfix' the defaulting tenant with the approval of every tenant farmer in Ireland .- Dublin Freeman.

At a meeting of the Kennare Board of Guardians on Friday last a discussion occurred on the land question, on a motion for the adoption of the resolution adopted by the Dublin Corporation in favour of fixity of tenure. In the course of the discussion the chairman (Mr. J. Townsend Trench) said he thought it would have been wrong of him to refuse to accept the notice of resolution to discuss the land question which had been laid before him, because the question was intimately connected with the relief of the poor,

tenant he was bound by law to give notice to a relieving officer, in order that a lodging should be prepared for the evicted family in the workhouse, and if resolved to bring forward at least one workingman a change were made in the relations between land candidate at the elections in that city next month. lord and tenant which would diminish the landlord's should be made in the law which now imposes the soil. The causes of the present widely spread agitation were chicfly-1, the existence of a potato created population without the potato to live on: 2, the introduction of new proprietors and a new reg.me by the Landed Estates Court; and 3, the capicious conduct of certain landlords like Mr. Scully, who had done more to pass a Tenant-protective Land Bill than Sir John Gray and Mr. Isaac Batt could do in their lifetime. There seemed to be generally three remedies proposed-first fixity of tenure; second, compulsory leases at a Government valuation; and third the legislation of tenant-right. Fixity of tenure was open to serious difficulties. 1. It would encourage absenteeism, for it would be a violation of the fixity of tenure which the landlord now erjoys. 2. It would banish capital, since the landford required fixity of tenure to induce him to lay out his capital quite as much as the tenant does. As for the tenents' improvements, it is absurd to suppose that they belong to the tenant for ever. The con-cre holder usually surrenders his improvements in four days The English capitalist who builds mansions in B.1 gravia surrenders his improvements to the Marquis of Westminster in 64 years; and the Governmen' lends money for improvements, so that both principal and interest will be repaid in 31 years. 3 Subdivision would be encouraged for no clause in any Act of Parliament against aubdivision would be respected any more than the clauses now existing against Roman Oatholic ecclesiastical titles, or against party processions, or, indeed, against shooling of landlords is respected. The commons of Ardfert, near Tralee, illustrate what Irishmen will do when subdivision is unrestricted. Those 200 acres have been cut up into 97 holdings, the average size of each holding being a trifle over two acres, the average valuation of each farm being 17s. 5d., and the average valuation of each dwelling-house being 8s 41, the dwelling houses being, in many cases, unfi for cattle, or even pigs. 4. Famine would ensue, because a numerous population cannot live in Ireland without the potato. which is now a very precarious crop. 5 Repeal of the Union would shortly be demanded, for general disaffection would result from general hunger. 6 Middlemen would be multiplied, and, in fact, the present occupiers would soon become middlemen The chairman produced a aworn declaration made by some tenants who had been evicted by a middle man called Christopher Lyne, the seconder of the renant-right resolution now before the Board, and said that when the history of Irish evictions and cruelty came to be written on that dark page would be found emblazoned together the names of Scully and Christopher Lyne.] 7 Emigration would not be checked, for men and women would continue to have children, and it these were not a'lowed to subdivide the land they must necessarily emigrate. As for compulsory leases at a Govern ment valuation, the result would be the same, bough in a somewhat lesser degree; and as for the valuators, they would be shot like rabbits, unless they valued the land at balf nothing Besides, leases should not be given indiscriminately, when three were for various claims. As for the legislation of existing tenant-right however just such a course might be, it would only be of partial application, for the custom of tenant-right is by no means universal. Under these circumstances, and no adequate remedial measure having been proposed to the Board, the chairman thought it would at present be best to call the attention of Government to the necessities for egislation, without binding them as to the remedies which ought to be applied. A resolution to that effect was, after some further discussion, adopted .-Times Cor.

## GREAT BRITAIN.

On Tuesday night, the 5th ult., at half-past en olclock, the Rev Edward de Waiteville, of the Society of Josus died in the Fever Hospital at Glis gow, of malignant typhus fever caught while in the discharge of his ministerial duty among the flock committed to his care. The deceased, who was ill but a few days, had very lately come to Glasgow His age was 48 years. He belonged to a Swiss baronial

A correspondent of the London Lancet signing himself" Rusticus," asks whether any one can suggest remedy for internal pains suffered by a gentleman who is a Patient of his. He has already administered without effect several preparations of optum, bella donna, cannabis indica, ipecacumb, assafæ ida, v lerian, chloric ether, chloroform vapor, bromide of potassium, quinine, beherine, iron, zinc, bydrocyanic cid, birmuth, antacids, pepsia, pancreatine, hot drinks and other remedies. He has also tried galvanic currents, bot fomentations and cold cloths, bot baths. mustare poultices, croton oil, and small blisters ex ternally saleo, subcutaneous injections of morphia, stropine, strychnia, and coffeine. "Rusticus" certainy appears to have done his best, but if we may be allowed to make a non-medical suggestion, we would recommend that the sufferer be let alone, at all events for a time; it would rather be surprising if he were not uncomfortable at present.

The Jewish Messenger says a remarkable testimony has lately been given to the value of the Jewish method of slaughtering and examining cattle. Quite number of Obristian butchers have resolved to purchase their meat from Jewish carcass-butchers, their sustomers preferring the meat slaughtered in accordance with the Jewish law.

The Rev. John Ingle, an extreme High Charchman, has declined to sign the protest against the appoint ment of Dr. Temple, because even if the Dein and Chapter complied "with the request of the memorial Dr. Temple will not thereby be kept out of the bishopric for a single hour, as in that case the Grown can, and no doubt will, make the appointment by royal letters patent, which will do away with the necessity of any capitalar election. Non-election would be a mere brutum fulmen, and it is always unwise to bark if you cannot bite." Further, "It does not seem to me to be the part of good Churchmen to force upon the Church the spectacle of a bishop's appointment by the civil power alone."

A fearful description of the moral and religious condition of the large towns of England was given at the Church Congress now in session at Liverpool In 781 towns in the kingdom there are about 12,000 -000 people, and some of the parishes contain a population of 27,000. Many of these large parishes are moral deserts, far less hopeful than similar districts in Kaffraria or New Zealand " They are surrounded by nothing but the feeblest influences for good; public opinion in these little worlds was rarely on the side of virtue and religion;" there was much skepticism and theoretical belief among them; but the most of them were not intellectual enough for that; their minds were kept under a continual strain for the supply of their daily wants; they ate, drank, and slept like the unreasoning quadrupeds, and passed to their great account with as little thought as the

beasts that perisb." The Discovery of Junius, so often announced, has at length, we have every reason to believe, been placed beyond doubt by the researches of the Hon. Edward Twisleton, who has for the first time called in the aid of a scientific expert in handwriting, the well-known Mr. Ch. Chabot. The results will shortly be made public, together with fascimiles of the autographs of Junius's letters to Woodfall and G orge Grenville - Academy.

In several Scotch towns the workingmen have decided upon making an effort to return one or more ance of the other. Many of the clergy appear to be under suicide. - N. Y. Freeman.

municipal elections. The members of the Edinburgh Trades Council have taken up the matter, and have

Placards have been pasted at Clapham, containpower to control paupetism a corresponding change ing the following piquant invitation to worshippers at 'Betheada Chapel': - 'Ned Wright, who before payment of balf the poor tate on the proprietor of the , his conversion was convicted three times of burglary, will deliver a gospel address. Come and welcome No Collection.

> A party of five young men were sitting on a rock on the coast near Mentrose, during the gale on Sunday afternoon when a large wave swept over them and carried them away. Three of the number clambered up, and were saved, but the other two were drowned.

> At the late meeting of the Education League in Birmingham England, one of the speakers told two stories designed to illustrate the failure of the present method of teaching. A teacher was trying to show her pupils that they saw with their eyes and heard with their ears, but it was a revelation to them. She then said 'You have noses, what are they for?' After a dead silence for a moment an adventurous youth replied, 'please ma'am to be wiped !' A gentirman wes examining a school of girls in Birmingham, the scholars having been four years under teaching. He put the question to them-What is eacrifice After a pause one of the girls answered, 'It is the rlace where Jesus Christ offered his son Isaac'

> London. Oct. 30 .- The Times, in an article on the Irish land question, says: - It is not our business to satisfy the Fenians. They would not be satisfied if Ireland was doubly confiscated for their benefit It is our business to do justice between two classes con-B'ituting the bone and sinew of Ireland, whose interests are identical, and extirpate the mest ancient root of frish wrongs. Two opposite sources of error must be remembered. It would be wise not to neddle with the land question at all, unless we effectually quiet the present tenants. At the same time it would be short sighted to sacrifice the next generation. Ireland wants rest from agitation, but short lived rest must not be purchased by concessions pregnant with anarchy. In closing accounts with the past it may be just and necessary to recognize the prescriptive rights of doubtful origio, but it cannot be so to foster the growth of similar rights in future.

> DEPRESSION OF THE 'BEREVIOE' MARKET, - Archbishop Tait's promise of inquiry into the question of Church patronage (coupled with the Irish disestablishment) has evidently depreciated ecclesisatical property and produced what would be call on 'Change 'fo ced sales' of benefices. A cierical agent in the Ecclesiastical Guzette not only refers to ' the number of recent sa'es' which he has effected but assures patrons, solicitors, and others that he has distinct instructions from some three hundred clients, bonu fide purch sers, who are prepared with sums of from £500 to £20 000 for suitable preferments, and he can almost guarantee the immediate, and strictly prisales of any presentations with incomes of from £150 to £1,200 a year.' This scandal is certainly at its height, and we can only expect to have the usual market slang introduced into the columns of the Guardian, the Record, and the Rock, and to be informed that ' the trade in advowsons is brisk prices rule higher,' or 'no demand for presentations even livings with nonagenarian incumbents and small populations depressed' according as public opinion and parliamentary debate sets in favor of or against an Established Church —Pall Mall Gazette

One of our contemporaries belonging to the Prorestant Church, sent a commissioner lately to four seen City Churches on Sunday morning, and the following is the result of his observations :-

No of

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St. Bartholomew the Great, Smith-	•	
field	£680	40
St. Anne and Agnes, St. Anne's	,	
lane	226	25
St. Michael Le Querne, Poster lane.	300	closed
St. Mary Magdalene, Old Fish-st	230.	18
St Nicholas, Cole Abbey, "	270	closed
Sr. Benet, Paul's Whitf	254	6
3t. Michael, Queenbithe, Thomes-		
Btreet	260	11
Allballows, Bread-street	382	3
St. Martin Promroy O'd Jewry	310	1
St. Margaret Moses, Bread street	287	3
St. Perer's Le Poor, Old Broad-st	1725	20
St Martin Outwich, Bishopgate-st.	1100	6
St. James, Mitre square	300	20
Allbailows with St Benet, Lombard		
street	650	9
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The opposition to Dr. Temple continues. At a re sent meeting of the Leeds Branch of the English Church Union, Archdeacon Denison said he did not suppose that there was any man connected with the Church of whom the late Bishop of Exeter had more horror than of Dr. Temple. From a letter be had just received from the Archdeacon of Exeter he learnand that the dean and chapter and whole clergy of Greter were speaking out as one man against the appointment; and he also learned that so much had the nomination surprised Dr. Pussey that notwithranding his long, intimate and affectionate friendship with Mr. Gladstone, he had distinctly broken with the Prime Minister on the subject. Dr. Pus-y himself wrote, "If this appointment is to take place ander the sanction of the civil power there will be nothing left but openly to contend, directly and imnedistely for the dissolution of the connection between Church and State," Lord Eliot presided at a meeting held at a meeting at Devonport to protest against the appointment of ir. Temple to the bishopric of Exeter. Now was the time he said, for the dean and chapter to win immortal renown by refusing to confirm it. It was not the costom to refuse, but by doing so in this case they would break through an "abominable abuse." Rev. J. R Prynne honed that they would refuse to confirm the appointment, and in so doing churchmen throughout the diocese would sustain them in 'heir opposition He ridiculed the idea that the pains and penalties of præmunire would be indicted upon them as the fruits of their refusal. No Minister would dare do such a thing as to inflict those penalties upon them in the present day. Il Mr. Gladstone were to act so, he would from being the most popular minister become the most un posular. If the refusal of the dean and chapter led to a separation of the Oburch and State, better this than such a bishop. In the subsequent speeches the separation of Church and State was considered advisable. One speaker stigmatized Dr. Temple's nomination as an "unboly appointment." Similar views were expressed at other meetings.

RECREATIONS OF THE PROPLE, -A correspondent of the World writes:—'All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy.' A belief in this old English ax:om induces me to attach importance to a discussion which took place at one of the meetings of the recent Church Congress at Liverpool, on the subject of the recreations of the people. An intelligent and good spirit was exhibited by reverend speakers, all of whom appeared to understand that the Church, whose minisiers they are, should be made efficacious for the temporal happiness as well as the spiritual welfare of 'It was a mistake,' said Archdeacon Emery, of Ely, 'for the clergy to go about making religion look miserable. The working classes who were confined all the week said, 'We won't go and make ourselves miserable on Sandaya;' it being an unfortunate tendency of cletical teaching and preaching to attach a character of trouble and gloom to the

the impression that worldly thoughts are forbidden on the Sabbath day. But the same Power that made the beavens created also the earth; and nothing has been made by the Almighty hand without a purpose. That a rigid erforcement of church and chapel-going throughout the Sunday is not effectual in a moral point of view is a conclusion every one must come to who reads the report of the chaplein of the Manchester Oity Gaol, wherein it is stated, as Arcadescon Ffoulkes informed the Church Congress, that of 700 criminals in the gaol 91 had been Sunday-school teaccers; and out of 649 criminals 593 had been Sunday-school scholars I should like to know how many criminals occur in a thousand men and women who go out for a walk in the fields after church time on a Sunday afternoon, or who, having been confined to their workshops through the week, go into the country, now and then, hy excursion trains on the seventh day. Archiceacon Ffoulkes said among the causes of failure were the want of a good system of religious instruction and the difficulty of obtaining efficient teachers, and the fact that no test was applied to ascertain the teaching given. Ohildren were too often sent to school simply to get them out of the way, rather than for the sake of Christian teaching.' The evils are pulpable, and it is for the clergy to find out a remedy. I am glad to find there are clergymen who do not frown upon harmless recreations, and that while the reverend speakers at the Church Congress set their faces against dissolute hebits ergendered by some of the popular amusements of the day, they were enthusiastic in recommending real pleasures as well as real Church There can be no reasonable doubt that the Cabinet

would be heartily glad if they could reconcile the liberation of the Penian prisoners with their duty, not merely to the state, as an abstraction, but to the cause of peace, order, and good government in Ireland. Unhapply the language and conduct of the Fenial prisoners to whom the clemency of the Grown was extended soon after the accession of Mr. Gladstone's ministry to office, forbids any strong hope in a policy of compassion. For anything that appears at present, the Fenians who come under lock and key do not in the least change their opinions that could not perhaps, be required of them - or abandon beir designs, when their prison doors are unlocked. Nearly every motive which exists for putting them into confinement is good for keeping them there Abstract discussions have been raised as to the relative moral guilt of political and ordinary criminals. A few legal pendants have contended that rebellion is in itself a viler offence than burglary or murder; and that such men as Lord Edward Firzgerald, Wolfe Tone, and Emmer, were criminals of a rather deeper dye than Greenacre, Rusu, and Palmer. On the other hand, men who are block heads by nature rather than in virtue of misapplied learning, appear to hold that to commit a political offence is in itself a title to honour and to impunity. Between these conflicting absurdities, there is happily a mid-path of truth. It is easy to distin guish be ween the political offenders whose crime consists in the consistent following out of a mistaken opinior, and the braves who are swayed by nothing better than licentious impulse. The former will bring all their strength to the contest, and when it goes against them will submit to the fate without weak repining. They will accept the mercy of the victore, not, indeed with effusive and servile gratitude, but with a manly and self respecting silence. nch as this was the conduct of the most conspicuous Southern insurgents after the close of the civil war in America. Very different has been the be viour of mee like O'Donovan Rossa in prison, and of the released Fenians out of it. The latter have begun their old work of stirring up disaffection, and have shown conclusively that the temper and the designs which made it necessary to put them into confinement render it equally desirable to keep them there It is for the government to consider whether, in the interest of the peace and the well, being of Ireland, it can afford to allow unrepenting mischief-makers to renew the baneful work in which they have been interrupted. The conclusion of the Queen's advisors, whatever it may be, will be dictated by statesmanlike motives. Vindictive feelings towards the wretched Fenisns they can have none, but benevolence to wards the Irish people may compel them to keep their tormentors under restraint. - Daily News.

The British Museum has lately received the fossil remains of a flying dragoon, measuring upwards of four feet from tip to tip of the expanded wings. The bones of the bead, wings, legs, tall, and great part of the trunk, with the ribs, blade-bones, and collar-bones, are imbedded in dark line shall Lyme Regis, on the Dorsetshire Coast. The head is large in proportion to the trunk, and the tail is as long as the rest of the body; it is extended in a straight stiff line, the vertebral bones being surrounded and bound together by bundles of fine long-needle-shape? bones ; it is supposed to have served to keep out stretched, or to sustain, a large expanse of the flying membrane or parachute which extended from the tips of the wings to the feet, and spread along the space between the hind-limbs and tail, after the fashion of certian bats. The first indication of this monster was described by Buckland in the " Transactions of the Geological Society," and is referred to in his Bridgewater Treatise, under the name of Pterodactylus macronyx. The subsequently acquired head and tail give chracters of the teeth and other parts, which establish a distinct generic form in the excinct family of flying reptiles. The animal, as now restored, will be described and figured in the volume of the Mono graphs of the Palmontographical Society, for the present year, by Professor Owen.

## UNITED STATES.

A 'settled aversion' is ground for a divorce in In diana.

Chicago is to have a new paper - the Divorce Bureau. A wide circulation is guaranteed by the circumstances that people usually wish to know when they divorced, and this furnishes a correct

An Arkansas paper concludes an account of the accidental killing of a citizen as follows :- 'The deceased, owing to his frequent marriages, leaves seve ral families of numerous shildren, but bequeaths little else to the world.' 'Several families of numerous children' is good.

According to the Boston 'Times,' Secretary Fish s said to have spologized to the Emperor of Brazil or the rudeness of Minister Webb, of whom it is said that he is given to 'cussing,' and would as soon cuss' an emperor as a hack driver.

A St. Louis minister, travelling through Indiana, says: 'Soon after passing the capital of Indiana, my attention was called to the hit made by one of the pictorial papers as to the ease with which divorces are obtained in that State. A railroad conductor is represented as saying — Indianapolis! Fifteen That morning's 'State Jourminutes for divorces.' nal'acknowledged the force of the caricature, but suggested that injustice might have been done to Chicago.'

Several Massachusetts clergymen offer a serious protest against continuing the observance of Thanks. giving day. They claim that the day has been per-verted from its original purpose; instead of religious observance, there are 'license, disorder and excess' This is true in part; yet hundreds of thousands go to charob every Thanksgiving day, and no doubt worship devoutly.

How many hundreds of infanticides might have been prevented every year this long time past, had it been known that there was a refuge where infante day of rest, the holy day, when the pastor should lead | abandoned of their parents would be received. How his flock through the pleasures of this life to the many unhappy women, betrayed and in trouble, greater joy of the life hereafter, and so teach them to would have struggled through the trials of their conenjoy the one that they may have a reasonable assur- ditiou, who, for want of such a hope, have committed

A San Francisco editor, who has been to a Chinese theatre, thus speaks of the quality of the music furnished: 'Imagine yourself in a boiler manufactory when four bundred men are putting in rivets, a mammoth tin shop next door or one side and a fortystamp quartz mill upon the other, with a drunken charivari party with six hundred instruments in front, four thousand enraged cats on the roof, and a faint idea will be conveyed of the performance of a firstclass Chinese band of music.'

Rev. E. P. Gardner, of the First Presbyterian Church, Hoboken, N.Y., last Sunday preached a remarkably vigorous ontspoken sermon on . Political Honesty,' taking for his text; He that ruleth over men must be just ruling in the fear of God.' This is what he has to say of the political system over there. Judging our political system by anything approaching a high Christi n standard, the result is not very fluttering. Is not our political life as a whole a hiss-log and a by word? Is not the idea of an honest politician something that men laugh at? Are we not thought verdant to expect it? Is it not rather a stigma ag instaman that he is in office? Look at our legislative halls. It makes one sick to think of

it These legislatures are so corrupt that an honest one is the exception. Most of the members have bought their seats there, and they expect to be remun rated by selling their votes in return Great corporations buy up the Legislatures. Our Capitals at Albany, Trenton at Harrisburg, it would be no slander to call them dens of thieves -unless, indeed, it be the thieves of whom we need to beg pardon for the comparison -and it grows more shameless every year. Every man who has anything to do with the government gets infected. Every man who takes a contract expects to make dishonest gains Our police officers are hand in glove with the criminals whom they are set to catch; judges sell their decisions, and are re elected by to rogues whom they shield, and men who ought to go to States' Prisons go to Congress. Our whole political life is a mass of rottennesa.

A number of clergymen in Massachusetts are signing a petition to Governor Classin, praying him not to issue a proclamation for Thacksgiving unless he can initiate measures which will command a better observance of the day as a season of fasting humiliation and prayer. They say " that they are convinced, by long and close beervation, that the annual appointment of the day of fasti g, humiliation and prayer by the Governor of the Commonwealth-once, doubtless, a usage which met the convictions and desires of the people of the State at large - had gradually been perverted from its original design and professed intent until it had cessed to command attention and respect; that one day set apart by procl-mation has fallen into general neglect as a day of religious observance and come to be a day of much license, disorder and excess; that they believe it to have become a source of demoralization rather than of religious or moral impression, and that the discountenance of the cus ow of appointing an annual fast would be for the public good .- Boston Journal, Oct. 25th.

St. Louis, Oct. 28-Mr Phelps, of Schreport, Ls., has arrived here from the wreck of the steamer Stonewall, and furnishes the following brief particulars of the terrible disaster to that boat. The boat caught fire at half past six o'clock on Wednesday evening, a little below Neely's Landing, add 115 miles below St. Louis, from a candle which the deck passengers had placed near some hay while they were engaged in playing cards. The 'Stonewall' was run on a gravel bar, the pilot supposing that the passengers could wade ashore; unfortunately at the end of the bar there was a slough, and here it was that the larger number of them were drowned. The boat had so much hay on board that she burned like tinder. All attempts to extinguish the fire was without avail. The "Belle Memphis" came up at halfpast nine, three hours after the accident, and rendered all the assistance possible. Out of 252 p stengers and the crew, only thirty are known to be saved. The last seen of Capt. Scott he was floating down the stream on a log. There were quive a number of ladies on board, and all are supposed to have been lost except one. The 'Stonewall' was owned by Captain John Shaw and Denis Long, the latter of Louisville, and was valued at \$45,000, and insured for \$30,000. She had about 800 tons of freight, including 250 head of cattle, horses and mules. They were leaured.

A "thrilling" autograph letter from the Missouri sperado unidebrand is printed, in which he relates his wrongs, which have been many. His troubles began by the murder of his brother Frank, by the State Guards, under Jeff. Thompson, in head was smashed, body mangled and cut to pieces in a shocking manner The body was then thrown into a mineral hole to rot. Next followed the murder of a brother named George Washington, and a Canadian who was sogaged to be married to Hildebrand's sister. Both were killed by men in Union uniform Two weeks after this his Mary died of a broken heart. Two weeks later these same men robbed his mother's farm, drove off the cattle, and set fire to the house, which was the fixest in Southern Missouri. His aged mother sent his little brother, a youth of 11 years, to ask for a family Bible and a few relics, but the child was shot through the bowels. Hildebrand continues :-" Thus were these atrocious deeds of blood and cruelty and robbery committed on my kindred and family. Let any, man put the question to his soul whether such outrages would not have aroused him to a desper te rotaliation at a time when the law no longer had the power to avenge the wrongs for bim, and for the sake of justice; and yet e en then I bore these accumulated outrages without lifting my hand to avenge my sister's and brothers' blood.

THE MISSISSIPPI HOLOGAUST -- HOBBIBLE PARTICU-LARS.-We have later particulars of the recent terrible burning of the steamer Stonewall on the Mississippi river The alarm of fire was sounded at balf past six in the evening, while the cabin supper table was thronged. The night was dark, the air chilly and freezing. A panic of fear and frenzy ruled the hour There were seventy five life preservers in the state-rooms, but only one was secured. There was a yawl, but some of the deck passengers seized. it, and, without cars indiscriminately piled in and paddled ashore with their hands. From a small blaze on the bay, near the boiler deck, the fire apread to the coal oil, and the whole ship was in a blaze. The boat grounded two hundred yards from the shore; her ponderous engines thumped and worked in vain The passengers were rampant wild. Efforts were made to adjust the boss, but the prowd would not allow it. The scene was a most fearful one The one hundred and fifty passengers were mostly foreigners, Irish Italian and German, and there were some Americans. Some had their wives and families with them. All was confusion, everbody trying to save their lives. The flames were approaching them, and when so many were jumping into the water why should not all. The water was chilly and cold, the bar was only a slight one, and a strong under current ran on either side. Many jumped, struck bottom and their set carried from under them by the swift, treacherous under current. Others, blind with frenzy and excitement, rushed where the crowd was the thickest and jumped in smorg the mules, struggling and kicking, and amongst the stout and hearty laboring men, whose presence of mind had left them and whose only thought seemed to be that safely was only to be secured by all jumping together in one vast grand heap, on to, in between, and among each other. Thus sure death was secured The river was full-of drowning people. From the best information received from the survivors the latest number of saved was between 40 and 50 which will make the total number of persons lost 230. Only three or four cabin passengers are supposed to have been saved.