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CATHOLIC INTELLIGENCE.	IRISH NEWS.	WAR D MINTER		
		WAR NEWS.	MISCELLANEOUS.	NATURALISTS' PORTFOLIO.
NEW CHURCH. The foundation stone of a new	THE WEATHERThe weather in Ireland has so much improved that the harvest has been got in	Hous Bound The Servian agent at Constanti-	GEAPHICThe following is all the space given	TOADS AS DESTROYERS OF INSECTS We see it stat-
New CRUBCH. The laid at Castlebar on the 9th ult, Catholic church was laid at Castlebar on the 9th ult, by his Grace the Archbishop of Tuam.	I	nople is expected to return home shortly.	in a Texas newspaper to a lynching :- "Dudley	cd that toads are making quite a reputation as
y his Glaco the	CIOD LAS IN MANY DIACCE BROYED short and very wel	DAMAGEDSeveral pontoons of the Nikopolis	Hansford was hanged by a mob of forty men this	destroyers of insects and that there is a regular main
CARDINAL'S HAT. At the Consistory held in the Apostolic Palace, September 21, Our Holy Father Apostolic Palace, September 21, Our Holy Father	as indeed was to be looked for, considering the long and heavy rains of summer.	Bridge were carried away by the storm. The bridge,	morning near his home, two miles from Perry, in	
Apostolic Palace, September 21, Out holy Father Pius IX, was pleased to confer the Cardinal's Hat Pius IX, was pleased cardinal Manuel Garcia Gil.		however, was repaired to-day.	this county. Too much cattle."	Plantes, where they are sold at nearly a franc a plusid
	Land the state of	LossThe Russian estimates places Mouchtar	No LICENSERev. Malcolm Maccoll has a serious	carefully packed in damp moss. It is stated that the
OP Archdishop of Datagolden	(25th September,)	Pasha's loss on the 2nd and 3rd of October at	grievance. He built a church in B rmandsey, but	bulk disposed of are bought up as fast as obtainable
ITALIAN DEPUTATION TO THE POPE. The Holy		6 000	cannot get a license to open it. As he puts the	oy English market gardners-fon which it would appear that the stolid Britisher is not always so
Father received a deplication of runnan physicians	posed to have been murdered. Two brothers named	SERVIARussia has undertaken to pay Servia a	matter himself, "I have had to pay $\pm 1,150$ for the privilege of building a church, and then was fined	"slow" in his ideas as people in other countries
	Langley were afterwards apprehended on suspion, and were lodged in Castlebar gaol, pending the re-	million roubles monthly from the time the Servia	£1,000 for so doing." "Nothing but the Ohurch of	think.
which were invading abelety.	suit of the inquest.	army is sent to the frontier.	England" he adds, "could stand this sort of thing."	PROBABLE ORIGIN OF THE ENGLISH CHANNEL -The
CONTENTION OF THE CATHOLIC TOTAL	THE LEONARD DEMONSTRATION IN DROGEEDAIn		U. S. GRANT General Grant is not likely to go	proposed construction of a sudmarine tunnel across
		AGREEDThe Cabinet unanimously and defini-	home until he has obtained the freedom of every	the Straits of Dover, has led Mr. Bone F.M.G.S. to
be sixth annual Convention of the Cuthone Potat		tively have agreed upon terms with Russia. This probably refers to the subsidy of a million roubles.	considerable city in Great Britain having a freedom to bestow. Glasgow has just honoured him with a	point out the probability that the English Channel has not been excavated by water action only, but
1  Long filly () Siresto were precove, 100	Wag made by the police during the day oppicate (.)		burgess ticket. It is somewhat curious that so	owes its origin to one of the lines of disturbance
meeting was opened by the President, R. J. Ritchie,	10wing. When the Mayor took his seat in the police	RUSSIANS IN BULGARIAThe Bussians in Bulgaria,	much admiration is now expressed for a man who.	which have fisured this portion of the earth's crust -
£q.	court, there was not a single case to be brought be-	including reinforcements, number only 230,000 combattants.	during the civil war, carned, by his successes, the hearty dislike of the strong Pro Slavery party	and, taking this view of the case the fisure probably still exists, being mercly filled with comparatively
ORDINATIONS On Sunday last, His Grace the	fore him.—Dublin Freeman.		in England.	10050 material, so as to prove a serious obsticle to
	VICE-BEGAL - The Lord-Lieutenant and the	BAID.—Gen, Gourko with cavalry and ar- tillery started on a raid to Sofia by way of Tir-	LATEST CURIOSITY The latest curiosity in Iro-	any attempt made to drive through it a submarine tunnel.
Archolshop of Gaussie College :- Tonsure-Messrs. J. Chapel of the Levis College :- Tonsure-Messrs. J. A. Beaubien, of the diocese of Quebec; and Morgan	Duchess of Marlborough have arranged that the	nova and Selvi.	land is a "retreat" of the Protestant Episcopal	
	weeks carlier than heretofore, so as to end on the	Jaronan _ A garman and mith at the new	clergy in the archdiocese of Dublin The Rev. Mr.	WILD ANIMALS IN ENGLAND -Lord Macauley in his
	1st of March instead of the 17th. On the 17th of	JUNCTION.—A correspondent with Chefket Pasha announces that on Monday he effected a junction	Randall, incumbent of All Saints', Clifton, conducts	account of the state of England in 1685 states that Enfield hardly out of sight of the smoke of the capital
Quebec; Sub-descon-Mr. P. A. Poullot, Quebec.	March, however (St. Patrick's Day), the usual ball	with Osman Pasha; Chefket hoped to arrive at	the exercises, and has been selected because he belongs to the High section of English Churchmen.	was a region of twenty-five miles in circumference,
THE PROTESTANT CHURCH IN PRUSSIA The crisis	will continue to be given, their Graces returning in state from the Vice-regal Lodge for that festival to	Plevna on Tuesday.	We are decidedly surprised at sc pronounced a deve-	in which deer, as free as American forest wandered
Brother Church in Frussia is growing	render it, as the official announcement states, " more	ExcludedIt is stated that no correspon-	lopment in a church almost Presbyterian in its	by thousands. The last wild boars, which had been
a the Protestand Society called the Protestant apace. There is a society called the Protestant Association spread all over Germany, and compris-	distinct and brilliant."	dents will be allowed in the Russian army be.		Preserved for the Royal diversion, and had been allowed to ravage the cultivated land with their
the leading Procestant divines, which	DEATH OF AN IRISH COLONIST The papers just	fore Plevna. It is expected that Gen. Zimmerman's army will shortly take the offensive.	A CADES COMMONICATION INTERMOTION	tusks, were slaughtered by the evenerated rustice
The sound integ the dividity of Garist. They	received by the Australian mail contain an account		October 14No despatches have been received by	during the licence of the civil war. The last walf
have just succeeded in abolishing the Apostles'	of the death of one of the most leading and manage-	HUNGARIANS IN LITTLE WALLACHIA Official	the Associated Press from Europe since midnight on Saturday. The cable department of the West-	that roamed our island was slain in Scotland a short time before the close of the reign of Charles II.
musican is dead against them, but the crown	ing Mr Androw Plake of Waterford The Downith	newspapers state a large number of Hungarians have entered Little Wallachia. The Roumanian General	ern Union Telegraph Office here says the cause of	
the on the contrary, is rather on their side, and	Advertiser says : "We are informed that Mr. Blake	has taken precantionary measures.	the suspension of communication is that the land	EQUABLE CLIMATES.—A study of Antartic cli- mates by Dr. Hann, the Austrian meteorologist,
transide an are being educated by members of the	has left property to the value of £170,000, which	BRIDGE DESTROYEDA Russian official despatch	wires connecting with the cables on the European side are interrupted by the storm. No further par-	reveals the interesting fact that on Kornston
Protestant Association."	he bequeated to 35 persons and charitable institu- tions. We understand that the bulk of Mr. Blake's	says the Turks destroyed their bridge at Silistria.	ticulars.	[Island-the Land of Desolation-in the Southern
LAVAL UNIVERSITY On the occasion of the open-	property has been bequeated to his relatives in Ire-	A Turkish three-masted monitor struck a torpedo	HE THEN LEWT At the last meeting of the Ken-	Ocean, the annual variation of the temperature only four and seven-tenths degrees fahrenheit,
ag of the courses of this institution, a Grand Mass was celebrated in the Basilica yesterday morning.	land, as he died unmarried.	near Sulina and exploded.	sington Guardians there was a scene. The board-	This is the least yearly range of temperature as yet
was celebrated in the Dasinea Sestericay morning.	MR. BUTT'S POLICY The dispute as to the policy	No PEACE The Agencie Russe declares that no	froom a new one, was used for the first time, and the	known on the surface of the globe The Island of
but all the Bishops of the Province assisted.	of Mr. Butt has cooled down a little. Mr. O'Don-	idea of mediation by Eugland with Russia has been	chairman, who is a clergyman, wished to ask a blessing upon it before proceeding with the busi-	St. Paul however, about ten degrees of lattitude
the sanctuary presented a brilliant speciacle, and.	nell wrote so very angry a letter (occupying three	entertained, and no attempt made in that d rec-	nees. A gentleman asked to second the motion re-	father north, also enjoys a very equable climate, the annual variation there being only seven degrees of
the whole affair foor place with considerable point.	columns of the Freeman) that he was blamed for its tone even by papers not over-friendly to Mr. Butt.		fused: and the other members did not seem in-	temperature.
resent and many of the Professors The musical	Mr. O'Donnell then wrote a calmer and wiser letter.	evacuated Kiziltepe is confirmed. The movement	clined to move. Thereupon, a Mr. Cooper rose, and declared that "since God was ignored." he hade the	SNAILS BY THE PAILLPUL Mr. Anron Rayman,
ortions of the Mass were well rendered by the	giving Mr. Butt every credit, and expressive of the	was necessitated by his having lost 8,000 in the	board a long and last farewell. He then left.	Hughson street, for some time past has found that
towers of the University.	hope that he would still be the national leader. Mr. Parnell has given a lecture at Navan, in the great	battles of October 2nd and 3rd. The Russian loss	1	plants in his garden that appeared well enough in
	county which he represent (Meath), and got a most	up to the present is 30,000.	THE SOLTAN'S TABLE Mrs. Layard having been permitted to dine at the Sultan's table, some gossi-	the afternoon were next morning nearly destroyed. The cause of this he could not discover, but, think-
THE ROMAN PONTIFFS - The whole number of Popes rom St. Peter to Pius IX, is 257. Of these, 82 are	enthusiaitic reception. Ireland looks to the Novem-	ADVANCING A Russian official despacth says the	per rushed into print to say that this was the first	ing some night insect did the work, proposed to see
const. Peter to This IL, is 201, of these, of all	ber conference with much hope.	Russians having occupied new positions, the Turks on Monday night abandoned their positions, includ-		It his theory was true. Last night with a lantern, he
have been Romans, and 103 natives of other parts	THE STRIKE AT MARYBOROUGH -A Maryborough	ing Kiziltepe. The Russians pursued, and occupied	Giaours to sit at his board. Our friend was wrong. The "honour" has been conferred on the Princess	spent four hours in his garden, and, by the end of that time had caught four or five hundred large slugs
	correspondent, Sept. 17th, says the strike of the	Chadechivali, Sarbatan, and Kulmerdau.	of Wales, Lady Elliott, and Madame Ignatieff;	- a species of snall - which hide in the soil dur-
	workmen on the Great Southern and Western Rail- way still continues in full force, and by this time	Siege of Plevna -The Russians have commend d	and doubtless even Sultans are beginning to find	ing the day, but come out to feed after sunset. These
mese: 1 Candiot; and 1 Englishman. The name	nearly the whole, or at least by far the greater por-	their parallels before Plevna under the super-		were the destructive maranders which had been playing havoc with his plants. The discovery he has
nost commonly borne has been John; the 23d and	tion, of the miles-men of the permanent way are	intendence of Trdleben. The heavy masses of		made should be taken advantage of by others who
	"out." The men still loudly declare that they have not the slighest intention of interfering with the	troops being sent to Bulgaria certianly indicate their purpose to prosecute active operations, during the	ALARMING.—An alarming excitement was made at the meeting of the Health Committee. A Colo-	have gardens Hamilton Times.
ess than one year, and 11 more than 20 years	working of the line so as to cause any dan age to pas-	autumn.	rado beetle, it was reportedreported, with a sense	BATTLE BETWEEN A RAT AND A WEASEL -AS MIS.
only 5 have occupied the Pontificial chair over 23	sengers or traffic. A Thurles correspondent suys,	TURKEY AND GREECE The Nord Deutch Allge-	of the fitness of things, by the inspector nuisances	Forsyth, wife of the gamekeeper at kilravock. Grov.
	"The sympathy of the people generally is in favor of the workmen, and for this as well as other rea-	meine Zeilung Athens' correspondent states that		was sitting alone the other evening in the kitchen.
	sons, the charges for travelling, as well as the trans-	Tricoupis, Minister of Foreign Affairs, has informed	a quantity of peas recently imported from Montreal.	she was not a little surprised to see two objects enter the room, and pass with lightning speed under
4 days ; Pius IX., who celebrated the 31st year in	mission of all kinds of goods, on the Great Southern	the British Minister that Greece was obliged to re- gard the threatening language of the Porte as a	Luckily it did not survive the voyage, so that all	a ches; which stood in the corner of the kitchen.
he Pontifical Chair June 16th, 1877.	and Western Railway, are, pe rhaps, the highest on	motive for completing her military preparations as	that had to be done when the discovery was made was to decide on the disposal of the dead body. As	Nothing daunted by the strange incident, Mrs.
ar flactal DE TRUD DOCIDIT, MINUSION - CHO	any line in the United Kingdom.	rapidly as possible.	soon as the commotion caused by the nuisance in-	Forsyth determined to ascertain the cause of the intrusion, and at once shut the door and lighted a
annual general meeting of St. Vincent de Paul Society, was held in the vestry of St. Mary's Cathe-	FATHER LAVALLE ON OBSTRUCTION Failer Patrick	MORTALITY IN THE RUSSO-ROUMANIAN ARMY The	] spector's announcement had subsided, another com-	candle, which she took in her left hand, with the
hal on Thursday evening at 7.39 o'clock. His	Lavalle, Pastor of Cong, writing to the Home Rule Lengue, September 13, says : "The crisis is momen-	cold rain and lack of winter clothing is causing	munication was read from the Privy Council, ex-	poker in her right. Under the chest she found a
fordship Eishop O'Brieu way unavoidably absent.	tous to our country. A once powerful and apparent-	great mortality in the Russo-Roumanian army; the	horting the Corporation authorities to use due vigilance with the view of preventing the beetle	interruption, the weasel attempted to retreat, but a
there were present Rev. Father Corbett and a num- ber of the active members of the Conference. The	ly compact organization is threatened with disrup-	deaths within the last twenty days number, in the army before Pleyna, 5,600; in the Czyrewitch's	from effecting a landing at this port. A live speci-	well-directed blow put it hors de combat, and a second
Prosident, Mr. Joseph Swift, in the chair. After	tion. I am for 'Obstruction,' but not the obstruc-	army, 4,700; in Dobrudscha, 3,000; at Tirnova and	men of the beetle is reported to have been discov.	split its head in two. The rat, which was at its last
he dispusing of some preliminary business, the	tion of four or five, or seven, but of forty, fifty, or seventy. That is what I am for-a united obstruc-	Schipka, 2,000.	ered in a timber yard at BootleLiverpool Post.	grasp, in like manner received the finishing stroke. Shortly afterwards Mr Forsyth came home
Board of Directors submitted their report, which	tion of the whole party, and not a few, which	ATTEMPTED SURPRISE Moukhtar Pasha's official	ENTERPRISING Talking of the Press and the war,	and, as might be expected, was greatly pleased with
hows in a clear and concise manner the admirable work performed. It is gratifying to note the as-	would only reveal division and weakness, effecting	despatch explains that the battle fought on Tues-	it is whispered indeed that two of our great organs	the gallant feat achieved by his better half-
iduity displayed by the members in the carrying	no good. Let me add to this, however, that by 'Obstruction' I do not mean a blind opposition to	duy, near Alidja Dago, was caused by an attempt	are specifically, and by arrangement, onlisted on	Inverness Adve-tiser.
out of the work of this excellent institutior. The	public business for opposition sake. which would be	be had posted at Kozkan to cover the concentration	opposite sides of the quarrel. It is, however, certain enough that the enormous sums of money they	A Dog Stony HARD TO BEAT - Lately a traveller
eccipts of the Society for the past your were \$777.15 and the expenditure \$686.99, leaving a balance	culpable and insane, which Mr. Parnell repudiates,	of his troops at Alidja Dagh. Moukhtar claims that	are lavishing are furnished out of their own re-	passed in a carriage along the Avenue de Nantilly.
ficash on haud of \$91.16. Mr. Joseph Swift was	but a combined and scientific intercepting of the	he repulsed the Russians with a loss of 1,2:0.	spective exchequers. An idea of the coast of the	The aight was dark. All at once the horse stopped and the traveller saw that the animal had met an

of cash on hand of \$91.16. Mr. Joseph Swift was unanimously re-elected President for another term. -Kingston News.

Sr. BRIDGET'S ASYLUM --- The bazaar in aid of this admimble institution, which supports so many aged and infirm women and helpless orphans, opened in the Music Hall. The bazaar was honored with a vis't from H's Excellency Dr. Conroy, and His Grace the Archbishop and suite These distinguished gentlemen were received by llevd. Father Henning and the Revd. Fathers of St. Patrick's Church. Many useful and handsome articles are on exhibition, and the ladies are anxious for the public to know that they are disposing of them at unusually low prices. Cas of the principal attractions of the bazaar is a shooting gallery. It is to be hoped that those who feel an interest in the work of the ladies who have organized the lazar, will not fail to pay them a visit. At the close of yesterday's voting for the most popular priest, the poll stood :- Father Wyon 24, Father Bucke 19, Father O'Connor 13, Father Henning 12.

NEW POPE-Private information has reached London, from a person of the highest rank in Rome. intimating the important fact that a new Pope has definitely been elected. A political friend in Lon don, who has seen the letter, assures me there can be no possibility of mistake, the rank and position of the write being the best possible guarantee for the accuracy of his statement, and I am at liberty to announce the contents of the letter in general terms. The new Pope is Cardinal Panebianco, and he was elected in pectore at a secret conclave of car dinals summoned last week, in consequence of the then dangerous condition of the aged Pontiff's health. The conclave was attended by Cardinal Manning and Cardinal Cullen. The election took place at this time in deference to the wishes of Pope Pins. Cardinal Panebianco is a very old man, being | ridges and 119 loose rounds of ammunition, making a year or two al seventy, but he is described as "a vigorous hater of the new order of things, civil and boxes of caps, one canister of shot, six flasks of ecclesiastical, and as being likely to continue the powder, one bult and pouch, and four bullet moulds. policy which Pope Pius has practised so long with great zial, in opposition to the so-called encroachment of the civil power .- London Correspondent.

THIERS ALWAYS & CATHOLIC .- A Paris correspondent of the Dublin Freeman, Sept. 21st, says : Apropos to M. Thiers, whos; death is at last begianing to cause such confusion in the party he so ably headed, I think a corresponded at of the Freeman asked a few days ago it the great statesman and historian had been born a Protestant, as a leading English Journal declared. There cannot be the least foundation for such a statement. We have his own solemn words-" I dia, as I was born, in. the Catholie faith.' It is true that during many years of his busy life he suffered people to sneer at all forms of Christian religion in his presence, and he was not as practically religious as so wise a man ought to have been. But when he was President of the Republic I have seen him piously deporting himself at the sacrifice of the Mass in the great church of Veresilles, and all the world knows that he was buried with the full solemnities of the gor-geous Catholic rite. But, further, his baptismal geons Catholic rite. But, further, his baptismal Lady Georgina. Spencer. Churchill, and by the certificate shows that a pious French habit of giv-ing the name of the Mirgin, to even male children orphanage, she was presented with an exquisitely was followed in his case, for he was called Maric. Illuminated, copy of verses, specially written to celebrate the gracious visit.

but a combined and scientific intercepting of the enemy on every opportune occasion, with the double view of letting him see that he is not equal to or worthy of the task of governing Ireland."

Mn. Eurr .- The London correspondent of the Dundso Advertiser writes :-" The state of Mr. Butt's health is giving great anxiety to his friends. It is doubtfal, I believe, if he will be able to return to political life, and quite certain that he must have a long period of rest. Mr. Butt's enforced absence from the political arena will materially complicate the difficulty with the obstructives. Mr. Parnell and his friends are for the moment in possession of part of the general body of the Irish members to gravitate towards the extreme section of the party. There are many professions of allegiance to Mr. Butt on their lips, but it is clear that they have a secret sympathy with the policy of Mr. Parnell and Mr. Biggar. If Mr. Butt should be permanently withdrawn from political life the obstructionists would probably draw the bulk of the Home Rule party with them.

SEIZURE OF ARMS AT CORK .- At the Cork Police Office, Patrick Herlihy, a schoolmaster, residing at Wrixon Lane, at the northern side of the city, was charged with having in his possession a quantity of anna alleged to have been stolen, and also with having these arms and a quantity of ammunition in a proclaimed distrist, not being duly licensed. Mr. Potter, sub-inspector, proved that he obtained a warrant for the search of Herlihy's house. He discovered the following weapons and articles : Ten rifl.s and five rifle-barrels, eight locks and six breech loaders, six pistols, two loaded revolvers, seventeen bayonets, two swords one pikehead and one dagger, nine cases of revolver ammunition and 236 revolver bullets, nine packages of rifls cartaltogether 468 rounds. He also discovered some On one of the belts there was a harp without crown. The discovery of these arms has caused a good deal of excitement.

THE DOCHESS OF MARLE ROUGH AND THE ORPHANS OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL -A few days since the Duchess of Marlborough paid a quite informal and friendly visit to the spacious and excellent orphan institution of the Sisters of Charity, in North William-street, in our city. The distinguished and amiable lady was unwilling that there should be anything of fass or ceremonial about her visit, and desired to see the Sisters and the children just as they are in their every day life. As a consequence, there, were only a few priests from St. Peter's Philsborough, the church of the Vincentian Fathers, in Dublin, and a couple of the most a ctive friend of the orphanage present at the orphanage when her Grace arrived. The visit was all that could be desired; the Duchess was shown everything, and was de lighted ; the Sisters and their orphans were as proud and happy as they could possibly be for so rare, and so pleasent an occassion. Before her Grace, who was scompanied by her, daughter,

EXPLANATION DEMANDED .- The Porte has demanded explanations regarding Servia's purpose in arm-ing and negotiating with Russia and Roumania. Nearly all first-class militia brigades have marched to the frontier. Negotiation with Russia have come to a satisfactory close. The Cabinet Council resolved upon warlike measures though not before the mildle of November.

BULGARIAN SRAT OF WAR .- There is no news from the Bulgarian seat of war beyond the announcement of he removal of the Russian headquarters the field, and there is an increasing tendency on the from Gorney Studeni to Sistova, owing to the unhealthiness of the former. Mehemet Ali's recall is set down to the intrigues of less fortunate officers. and particularly of the Egyptian Prince Hassan, whose men in neglecting to cc-operate with Mehemet in his last engagemant, were largely responsible for his want of success.

> TURKISH I EFFET .- The result of the recent battle between Moukhtar Pasha and the Russians under Malikoff would appear according to the latest accounts, to have resulted in a Turkish defeat, though, both sides, as usual, claim victory. On Tuesday the Turks did apparently gain an advantage, but the close of the lighting on Thursday found them utterly demoralized. A great battle along the whole line is expected in a day or two."

> EXAGGERATED .- Correspondents in the Russian army before Plevns, it is alleged, are reduced from 60 to 2, on account of restrictions placed on them. The Russians wish to keep the condition of the army secret. The soldiers are reported to be lying on the bare earth. The hospitals are choked with wounded, and the sick piss the Danube by thousand cart loads at a time. Note-The correspondent who asserts the foregoing was himself expelled from the Russian army.

> DAGRETTAN .- The insurrection which broke out about the 12th of September in the Central districts of Daghestan, and gradually ext-nded through the whole of Central and Southern Daghestan, does not appear quelled, as thought, after the defeat of the main body of insurgents, numbering 6,000 men, by the Russians, on the 23rd and 24th of September. The Russian official despatch from Karajat says a band of 4,000 insurgents was defeated on 28th september and 3rd of October, with a loss of 859 killed, wounded and prisoners. The Russian loss was insignificant. Other bands seem being pursued.

ASIATIO CAMPAIGN-The Asiatic campaign was renewed by the Russians, the Grand Duke Michael taking the command in person and there seems to have been several days of severe fighting. Moukhtar Pasha's army was posted somewhere between Kars and the frontier, and the Russian Prince general apparently tried to get between it and Kars, and to cut off his retreat. "The accounts' of what took place have been rather confused and fragmentary, but there is little room to doubt that the Russians were repuised with heavy loss. The fifteen thousand loss to them, which Moukhtar, Pashs telegraphs about, is, we fancy, largely in his own imagination, but the Russians would be very apt to lose heavily in such operations as those in which they under- rervice upon a new basis, with what success is fortified camp would be something really dreadful ook.

spective exchequers. An idea of the coast of the war to the newspapers may be gathered from the fact that the New York Herald, whose expensive cable telegrams, however, make a difference, has been disbursing at the rate of £1 500 a week. This organ has twelve special correspondents in the field, and allows to each four horses, two carriages, and six servants. The representatives of the London Press have carte blanche in these particulars, and notably in one instance likewise as to the cost of sending intelligence. The fighting at Plevna alone cost the Daily News a small fortune, and all will be well if it does not cost the health, or even the life, of one of the best of our graphists .- Irish Times.

STRIKE OF RAILWAY LABIREAS .- Much commotion was excited in Dublin, when it was announced that the milesmen and gangers on a great portion of the line of the Great Southern and Western Railway had resolved upon a strike. Fufther intelligence received on Monday evening and yesterday fully confirmed the truth of the statement, and it became known that all the laboring force in the service of the company-numbering nearly 2,000, had joined in the movement. The Board of Directors received a deputation on Monday evening, when the grievances of the men were slated to be the employment of Englishmen in high offices of the chief departments of the company to the exclusion of deserving Irish offi ers who had served for years in these departments—harsh treatment by these English officials-the dismissal of a large body of workers, thereby throwing additional labor on those who were retained, but giving no increase in the remuneration. They also ask an increase in their wages of 4s. per week for those receiving 14s, and of 7s, per week for those receiving 17s. They also ask that work shall cease at 12 o'clock on Saturdays instead of six o'clock. The board refused to accede to these demands, and the strike goes on. It is alleged that a species of terrorism has been used to compel reluciant laborers to join in the strike.

ORIGIN OF POSTAGE ETAMPS .- The origin of the stamp had a tinge of romance in it. It was thirty. seven years ago that Rowland Hill, while crossing a district in the north of England, arrived at the door of an inn where a postman had stopped to deliver a letter. A young girl came out to receive it; she turned it over and over in her Land and a ked the price of postage. This was a large sum, and evidently the girl was poor, for the postman demanded a shilling. She sighed sadly, and said the letter was from her brother, but that she had no money; and so she returned the letter to the postman. 'Pouched with pity, Mr. Hill paid the postage and gave the letter, to the girl, who seemed very, much (mbarrased, Scarcely had the postman turned his back when the young in keepers daughter confersed that it was a trick between her and her brother. Somesigns marked on the envelope told her all she wanted to know, but the letter contained no writing .... We are both so poor," she sid, " that we invented this mode of corresponding with out paying for our letters." The traveller, con-tinuing his road, asked himself I a system giving known to the world.

and the traveller saw that the animal had met an obstacle. At the same time a man raised himself from before the horse and uttered a cry. "Why don't you take care?" said the traveller. "Ah " cried the man, "you would do better, instead of hallooing, to lend me your lantern. " What for ?" " I had three hundred france in gold on my person ; my pocket has broken and all has fallen into the street. It is a commission with which my master has entrusted me. If I do not find the money I am a ruined man," "It is not very easy to find the pieces on such a night; have you one left ?'" Yes; I have one." "Give it to me; The man hesitated. "Give it to me; it will be the means of recovering the others." "The poor fellow gave him the last coin. The traveller whistled ; a mognificent coin. The traveller whistled ; a mognificent Danish dog began to loop around him. "Here !" said the traveller putting the coin to the nose of the dog. Look !" The intelligent oreature sniffed a moment at the money, and then began to run about the road. Every minute he returned leaping and deposited in the hands of his master a Napoleon. in about twenty minuts the whole sum was recovered. The poor fellow, who had got his money back, turned, full of thanks toward the traveller, who had now got into his carriage. "Ab, you are my preserver," said he; "tell me at least your name." "I have done nothing," said the traveller. "Your preserver is myldog; his name is Rabut Joie," and then, whipping his horses, he disappeared in in the darkness of the night,-Paris paper.

AERIAL TORPED DES -Humanitarians, who look for the suppression of war in the development of the deadliest engines of warfare, will read with satisfaction a suggestion recently thrown out for a further employment of the torpedo. A torpedo balloon the device is to be styled, and the name is a sufficient indication of its nature. A balloon is to be constructed capable of issing with a torpedo beneath it, and starting to wind-wards of a camp or fortified city, or whatever it is desired to destroy, is to be buist or detached by means which it would be easy to contrive, and thus to allow its cargo of death and destruction to fall into the midst of the enemy. The detachment of the torpedo, it is suggested might be effected with great case and certainity by means of a thin electric wire, and the proper mom-ent for dropping the charge, in order to explode it on any giving point, would be only a matter of instrumental observation and a little practice. The idea seems to be fearfully practicable; and, apart from the consideration of the very perfection of modern warfare, seems really to present the most hopeful prespect of universal peace. It might be denounced as too frightful an idea to be entertained by civilised combatants. By means of such an engine, a fortifiled place might attacked from a point from which no gun could, be brought into. action, and without the smallest opportunity of retaliation. The carnage and devastation by the explosion of a torpedo in a fortress or camp would be infinitely greater than a bom bshell could produce, and while to the besiegers oven a failure need inbe floated out of the ranger, the balloon might be floated out of the range of abol, and to the besieged would be fraught with rule against which place to such franks, was not a vicious one. Before no concelvable defence avail anything.. The effect sunset Rowland had planned to organize the postal of a torped dopped into a garrisoned fortress of a

to contemplate.