

ing such wicked correspondence with 'the man of sin.' To follow up this heavy blow to the Saints, Queen Victoria lately honoured the Duke and Duchess of Norfolk with her company at a grand Dinner and Ball with the details of which the fashionable Papers are filled. Lord Carnarvon too, another Catholic Nobleman was in attendance on the Queen at the Duke of Norfolk's. How shocking! Our readers know that Norfolk is the Premier Duke of England and the Hereditary Earl Marshal. It is amusing to hear Protestant's prating about the vulgarity of Popery. All the real, old, royal, noble and aristocratic blood in England and Europe is, essentially Catholic, whilst the modern, upstart nobility are the children of Luther. The first protestant nobility in England and Ireland derived their titles and ill-gotten estates from sacrilege, robbery and murder. There is more of ancient and illustrious lineage to be found in the Howard family alone than in any two dozen of your, Protestant Aristocracy.

CORPUS CHRISTI.

We perceive with much pleasure that the time-honoured Processions of Corpus Christi are beginning to be renewed in once-Catholic England. At Derby, and Nottingham, and Rugby and several other places this practical manifestation of the belief in the Real Presence was made to the great delight of Catholics and the edification of numerous Protestants who witnessed for the first time this imposing ceremony.

THE CROSS.

Some of the former City Subscribers to this Journal have complained of the non-delivery of their Paper. We beg to remind them that they have no claims upon the present Publisher to whom they have never subscribed one penny. Mr. Nugent the former Publisher gave due notice that he was ready to refund the balance of all Subscriptions at the time that he ceased to hold connection with the Cross. It is the fault of the subscribers themselves if they have not availed themselves of the offer, and commenced their subscriptions with us. As there are depots for the Paper now established in various parts of the City any one can obtain it, on the days of publication in the immediate neighbourhood of his own residence, if he be not willing to apply to our office.

CEREMONIAL AT ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, HERRING COVE.

We beg to direct the particular attention of our readers to the opportunity afforded them on Tuesday next of assisting our meritorious fellow-Catholics of Herring Cove and Ferguson's Cove in their laudable efforts to complete the House of God in their respective Districts, and of enjoying at the same time a very pleasant and salubrious excursion. The Catholics of Herring Cove have made great individual sacrifices for the erection of their handsome new Church. Indeed we believe that in proportion to their means their subscriptions have been much larger than any received in other parts of the Diocese. The population being limited, great individual exertions were necessarily

demand. They are now about to make another general effort in the cause of religion, and we trust they will be nobly sustained by their friends and brethren in Halifax. Almost still stronger is the appeal to our benevolence from the small number of Catholics at Ferguson's Cove to enable them to complete their beautifully situated Temple—the Church of Stella Maris which towers on a rocky and romantic height at the entrance of our harbour. The proceeds of Tuesday will be divided between both churches.

How many hundreds—nay thousands of pounds have been given by the Catholics of this town during the last few years to strangers and foreigners—to parties of whom they knew nothing, and for purposes which were often questionable? And all this time some of their own Churches and Institutions were struggling with difficulties, and their brethren in many parts of the Diocese, and even in the very neighborhood of the capital, presenting the most urgent claims for assistance. Surely this is not well-ordered charity or benevolence. There are some so whimsical that whilst they never give a copper at home for religious purposes, are most bountiful to strangers, and sometimes to impostors. We are not quite sure that religion does not lose more than she gains by the begging expeditions of Clergymen and Monks. Our readers well know the straitened circumstances of many Catholic districts in this Diocese, and yet we do not remember that any of our Clergy have been sent on a mendicant tour to Canada, or the States, or Ireland, or anywhere else. We could name a score of places in this very Diocese, and some of these at our own door, that have more powerful claims on our support than any object for which an appeal was made to us by strangers during the last ten years. But, from some recent examples, we think that the good people of Halifax are beginning to open their eyes, and to estimate those periodical and strange collectors at their proper value. For instance, not many days ago we were honored in Halifax by a visit from two collectors who live in the remote part of the State of Pennsylvania. They published an advertisement in some of the papers, declaring that they were patronized by several Bishops in the U. States, from whom they had received permission to collect. But they forgot to add some important modifications. Thus, the Bishop of Philadelphia in their own State declared: 'I hereby give permission to — to collect in this Diocese, except in the city of Philadelphia;' and the Bishop of New York: 'I hereby, &c. except in the cities of New York and Brooklyn.' Being thus treated in the places where they are best known, what claim had they on a community like this? But, we dare say the number of pigeons to be fleeced by strangers will grow exceedingly scarce in Halifax one of these days.

NEWS FROM EUROPE.

Nothing decisive from Rome, but the latest accounts from France state that the besieged being driven to great extremity, surrounded on every side, and cut off from their supplies of water, would speedily capitulate. The Venetians have also proposed to surrender on terms. In Germany the Red Republicans have been put down, and in France a most despotic and repressive system is about to be put into

operation against the disturbers of social order. It is ever thus with France, and yet she will not learn wisdom from experience. Poor Ireland, covered with sores after her four year's famine and disorder, is to be honored with a Royal visit. The Queen will, it is said, merely sail round a part of the coast from Cork to Belfast, en route for Scotland, which is the real destination of the Royal party. We suppose the Whigs thought it would be too bad if so many visits were paid to Scotland whilst "the Emerald gem of the Western world," the brightest jewel in the crown, was altogether neglected.

ST. CECILIA'S CHORAL SOCIETY.

We were happy to hear from several who were present at the Second Concert of this Society on Tuesday evening last, that the performances, both vocal and instrumental, were highly satisfactory.—When we consider the short time that has elapsed since the formation of the Society, the progress they have made is indeed most creditable.

ST. MARY'S CATECHISTICAL SOCIETY.

The Annual Meeting of the above Society took place on Sunday evening last, in the Vestry of St. Mary's, the Right Rev. Dr. Walsh in the chair, assisted by the Very Rev. the Vicar General, and the Rev. Messrs. Hannan and Madden.

In the absence of Mr. P. J. Compton, Mr. William Compton was requested to act as Secretary.

Returns were made by the superintendants of the classes at St. Mary's and St. Patrick's of the number of children in attendance at Catechism during the past quarter. These returns were most gratifying, more especially the one from the Female Department of St. Mary's, which showed an increase of 120 since being placed under the care and superintendence of the Sisters of Charity.

After some discussion upon the subject, it was agreed that a Pic Nic should be given to the children attending Catechism, at an early period, and a Committee was appointed to make the necessary arrangements.

The following appointments were made for the ensuing year:

The Right Rev. Dr. Walsh, President.

The Very Rev. T. L. Connolly, V. G., Vice President.

" " " Treasurer.

Mr. Andrew Murphy, Secretary.

A vote of thanks was then passed, and requested to be conveyed to the late Secretary, Mr. Philip J. Compton, for his past services.

The following persons were proposed and admitted members of the Society:—Capt. Thomas Burke, and Mr. John Flavin.

The necessary business having been gone through, the meeting adjourned, the concluding prayers being previously recited by the Bishop.

WM. COMPTON,
Acting Secretary.

Quarterly Receipts, £7 6s 5½d.

A NOBLE EXAMPLE.

A man named Hartley who retailed Tobacco at a small thatched house at Tralee, died lately of cholera, and left £1,000 sterling to the Convent of that town.

PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH.

The Treasurer of the Halifax Branch of this Association has received the following sums per Rev. David O'Connor, from the districts of Portuguese Cove, Bear Cove, and Ketch Harbour.

PORTUGUESE COVE.

Collected by Miss Rebecca O'Neill, £1 9 5½.

Viz., Mr. Andrew Scallan 2s 6d, Mr. Sullivan and Mr. Simon Cripps, 2s 6d each, Mrs. Richard O'Neill, senr., Mrs. Richard O'Neill, junr., Mr. Geo Wm O'Neill, Mrs. Purcell, Mrs. Bowers, Mrs. Bourke, Mrs. Michael Fitzgerald, junr., Mrs. Welsher, Mrs. Bourke, Mrs. Eleanor Purcell, Miss M. Bowers, Miss Rebecca O'Neill, Miss Margaret Martin, Mr. Jas. Fitzgerald, Mr. Connors, Mr. Terence Ryan, Mr. R. O'Neill, junr., Mr. Thomas Holland, and Mr. Joseph Fitzgerald, 1s 1d each; Mrs. Smith, Miss E. Smith, Mr. Terence, Mr. P. Flinn, and Mr. James Bateman, 7½d each.

KETCH HARBOUR.

Collected by Miss Margaret Fleming, £1 1 7.

Mrs. Margaret Fleming, Mrs. Mary Martin, Mrs. Henry Martin, Mrs. Thomas McDonald, Mrs. Peter Martin, Mrs. Matthew McDonald, Mrs. Hogan, Mrs. Martin Connors, Mrs. B. Gallagher, Mrs. Michael Connors, Mrs. Hennebery, Mrs. Thomas Martin, Mr. Edward Martin, Mrs. Stephen Murphy, Mrs. Walt. Murphy, Mrs. Brooks, Mrs. Phelan, Mrs. Jno Fleming, Mrs. John Fleming, junr., Mrs. Jas. Fleming, Miss Mary Harrington, Miss Susan Martin, Miss Margaret O'Keefe, Miss Elizabeth Fagan, Miss Mary Quigley, Miss Susan Fleming, Miss Anne Phelan, Miss Susan Fleming, Mr. Patrick Cronan, Mr. Dennis Murphy, Mr. John Young, Mrs. Samuel Fleming, Mrs. Wm Fagan, Mrs. Dennis Connors, Miss Sarah Connors, and Miss Margaret Fleming, 7½d each.

Collected in the same place, by Miss Charlotte Martin, £0 8 1½d.

Mrs. Mary J. Martin, Mrs. P. Martin, Mrs. J. Martin, Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Connors, Mrs. J. Martin, Mrs. Jno Martin, Mrs. Gallagher, Miss Charlotte Martin, Miss Elizabeth Martin, Mr. Jno Martin, Mr. Chas. Ronayne, and Mrs. P. Mulrowney, 7½d each.

BEAR COVE.

Collected by Miss Johnson, £0 8 1½d.

Mrs. L. W. Johnson, Mrs. L. Johnson, Mrs. T. Johnson, Miss Johnson, Miss A. Meagher, Mr. Wm. Johnson, Mr. Chas. Chareman, Mr. Geo. Smith, Mr. L. Johnson, Mr. Francis Miller, and Mr. Andrew Scallan, junr., 7½d each.

Collected in same place by Miss Susan Connell, £0 11 2d.

Mrs. Michael Ryan, Mrs. Ryan, Mrs. Bridget Ryan, Miss Mary Anne Ryan, Mrs. Connell, and Miss Susan Connell, 1s 1d each; Miss C. Johnson, Miss Alice Scallan, 7½d each; Mr. William Scallan, 2s 2d; Mr. E. Grace, 1s 3d. Rev. David O'Connor, £1 0 0.

The above return is extremely creditable to the Catholics of Ketch Harbour, Portuguese Cove, and Bear Cove. It shows that they are deeply sensible of the great importance of the Association for the Propagation of the Catholic Faith; that they value in themselves the possession of that precious Faith, and are anxious that the whole world should enjoy the same inestimable advantage. May God bless them, and may their practical love of their holy religion excite other parts of the Diocese to follow their edifying example!

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 valu-