

the Marquis of Landsdown and other notables, made himself exceedingly conspicuous, and incontinently distilled his linked sweetness through the columns of the Journals. Like many other aspirants of the same bold stamp, he made desperate efforts to write himself up, but we can assure him we felt for some time past that he succeeded only in writing himself down. He must have been sadly in want of a subject, or in a furious fit of the *cacathes scribendi* when he selected Halifax for his theme, a place of which he knows nothing. If we could with a due regard to public edification, inform our fellow-Catholics at a distance of the special and pressing reasons which induced us to insert the article to which he alludes, and to caution our readers against bogging *Impostors* who have done so much injury to religion in America, he might regret that he had not chosen some other subject for the display of his 'mighty' powers of sarcasm. We would beg to remind him that he is not responsible for the Orthodox teaching of the Catholics of Halifax. We have, thank God, both a Bishop and a Clergy here who are able to instruct us, and who do incessantly teach us the doctrines of our Church. Both by word and example have they taught us the true nature of Catholic charity. We are therefore neither 'congregational' nor exclusive in our alms: and we think that folks at a distance who can spend three months in London with its "continuous scene of bustle and noise," who "have often passed through the market districts at an early hour of the morning, and then saw how London is fed," who have seen the English fields "teeming forth rich produce" and performed many other 'mighty' deeds which none but their own trumpets could sufficiently blast into notice, might have found more congenial employment than abusing their humble brethren in Nova Scotia. We think an occasional glance at Lindley Murray, Blair's Essays, or some approved work on *English composition*, together with a frequent meditation on the salutary truths contained in the XX Chapter, first Book, of the Imitation of Christ, would be much more profitable than this sempiternous, grandiloquent and verbose emission of Epistles from the *Capra* of Lemster. As we live here in New Scotland the motto of the thistle should not be forgotten by those who assail us. If we are forced to return to this subject we will speak more openly. When we commenced the present article we intended to say a word on the collection for St. Patrick's Church which is now about to be renewed, as in consequence of the favourable appearance of the harvest, we have, thank God, a prospect of better times. So sacred a cause, however, does not require much recommendation from us. Nearly four thousand pounds have been already expended on the building and in the purchase of the ground. Where so much has been done, the rest is certain to be accomplished. The Catholics of Halifax will not suffer the beauteous Temple which has been raised to the glory of God under the invocation of the glorious Apostle of Ireland, to remain long unfinished.

#### CHEZZETCOOKE.

We are happy to learn that in the improvements which have been recently made in several Churches in the vicinity of Halifax, the very interesting settlement of Chezzetcooke is not forgotten. During the last and present week a considerable number of the parishioners have been engaged in the various works connected with the improvement of their Church. A very spacious transept and chancel have been added to the old Church of St. Anselm, and from the enthusiasm manifested by the faithful, we have reason to hope that before the severe weather sets in, the principal part of the work will be completed.

The Bishop and the Rev. Mr. Phelan were three days last week in Chezzetcooke, and by their presence and exhortations gave a considerable impulse to the good work. The proceedings were inaugurated by a High mass, Sermon, Benediction of the most Holy Sacrament, &c. and on the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross the Relic of the True Cross which had been brought from Rome by the Bishop, for the Church at Chezzetcooke, was exposed for the veneration of the Faithful.

#### PETER PENCE.

Upwards of seventeen thousand dollars have been already received by His Grace, the Archbishop of Baltimore from various Dioceses in the U. States, for the temporal wants of our Holy Father Pius IX.

#### JOE MILLER BEATEN!

THE LATEST AND BEST JOKE FROM THE UNITED STATES.

James Gordon Bennett the pious and orthodox Editor of the N. York Herald, has called a Mass Meeting of the Catholics of New York to consider the state of Religion in that locality, and to teach that very ignorant and negligent pastor Archbishop Hughes, how he is to instruct his flock! If any Catholic Ladies should attend the proposed meeting, Bennett ought to request his friend, *Ned Bunline*, to address them. We have no doubt that Catholicity would gain immensely in the land of the stripes and stars, from the combined efforts of two such distinguished moral reformers. If *Ned* should speak before the ladies it is likely there will be again raised the "*Gruum* clamor" spoken of by Horace in the last satire of his second book.

#### TO CORRESPONDENTS.

*Catholicus* will find the subject to which he has called our attention noticed elsewhere. It was an impudent falsehood to assert that any one was prevented from collecting in this town for a Church in Philadelphia.

*Verax*. We must decline. As far as we know the Church of England is not attacking us at present, and we have no desire to commence an onslaught upon them. When provoked, we are always ready to defend ourselves, but we do not wish to become the aggressors. We would rather pray for the conversion of those whom we know to be in error. The manuscripts will be returned.

*Curiosus*.—The assertion in the New York Freeman respecting the superintendance of this Journal was a mere conjecture of the writer. We did not see it until a long time after it was published, and we did not then think it worth our while to contradict it. Moreover, the supposition of the *Freeman* was rather flattering to our poor abilities. If all unauthorized statements of this kind were to be contradicted by public men, they would have a busy time of it.

CHURCH OF EASTERN PASSAGE.—Subscription of Mr. Thomas Phelan—5s.

#### MARRIED.

MAY 28—Patrick Maher, to Mary Neville; John Aylwood to Ann Cullen; Thomas Delahanty to Catharine Dewire; Alexander Panel to Johanna Connell.

JUNE 5—Patrick Sullivan to Mary Kennedy. 6th—William McDonnell to Anne Riley. 7th—Patrick O'Connor to Mary McKenna. 11th—James McLeod to Eliza Ledwich. 15th, Patrick Neary to Mary Ann Cooper. 19th, Thomas Pyc, to Mary Shea; Thomas A. Cunningham to Margaret Barron. 25th, Patrick Gough to Joanna Bergin. 28th, Jeremiah Hennessy to Mary Anne O'Brien.

JULY 3—Michael Martin to Anne Hanigan. 8th, William Kelly to Ellen Callaghan. 9th, Timothy Carty to Mary Reid. 16th, John Reding to Anastasia Hayde. 23rd, Thomas McGuire to Ellen Shaw; John Barron to Jane Metzler.

AUGUST 6—John Leary to Eliza Brunt. 13th, Patrick Fitzpatrick to Deborah Kieser. 17th, William Layfield to Mary Anne Burke. SEPTEMBER 3—John Derime to Mary Anne McGarry. 4th, James Ryan to Anne Whelan. 5th, William Power to Joanna Day. 9th, Dennis Kennedy to Mary Fielding. 10th, Maurice Bowler to Catherine Kennedy. 12th, John Noel to Bridget Penault.

#### THE "NATION" NEWSPAPER.

The Habeas Corpus Suspension Act expired last night, and this morning, (September 1) was ushered in by the re-appearance of Mr. Gavan Duffy's journal, which was in active circulation before 8 o'clock. The number contains, it may be said, but one leading article, or, rather, essay, written by Mr. Duffy himself, and extending over nearly six columns of his paper. As a piece of composition, although its tone is cautious and even moderate, it does not lack the style of eloquence peculiar to the writer, and which found so many admirers among the young men of Ireland. Mr. Duffy has been making a tour in the provinces, and he seizes the occasion to draw a most harrowing picture of the joint effects of famine and extermination upon the peasantry of the south and west. Here is a sample of his pencilling:—

"No words printed in a newspaper or elsewhere will give any man who has not seen it a conception of the fallen condition of the west and the south. The famine and the landlords have actually created a new race in Ireland. I have seen on the streets of Galway crowds of creatures more debased than the Yahoos of Swift—creatures having only a distant and hideous resemblance to human beings. Gray-headed old men, whose idiot faces had hardened into a settled leer of mendicancy, simeous and semi-human; and women filthier and more frightful than the harpies, who, at the jingle of a coin on the pavement, swarmed in myriads from unseen places, struggling, screaming, shrieking for their prey, like some monstrous and unclean animals. In Westport the sight of the priest on the street gathered an entire pauper population, thick as a village market, swarming round him for relief. Beggar children, beggar adults, beggars in white hairs, girls with faces gray and shrivelled, the grave stamped upon them in a decree which could not be recalled; women with the more touching and tragical aspect of lingering shame and self-respect not yet effaced; and among these terrible realities, imposture shaking in pretended fits to add the last touch of horrible grotesqueness to the picture! I have seen these accursed sights, and they are burnt into my memory for ever."

#### ENGLISH TOURISTS IN THE SOUTH.

The *Tralee Chronicle* has the following:—"Never in its palmiest days have we seen so extraordinary—such a 'monster' crush of visitors as within the last week were whirled into Killarney. The preceding week exhibited the same state of things, judging from the coach-office books, and those immortal *souvenirs* of the Victoria and Kenmare Arms, in which the tourist finds so many inducements for chronicling his name, as well as his due appreciation of the 'creature comforts' on land and water, for which those establishments are so proverbial. From the 1st of August up to Thursday, when we left Killarney's very quiet Hibernian, in the New-street, the number of passengers from Killarney to meet the rail at Mallow, by Mr. O'Connor's coaches was 373.

numbers who came by them, and who returned, some *via* Glengariff and Bantry, others *via* the Shannon, are somewhere about 1,000; while it would be impossible for us to ascertain the number of those who came by private carriages and by Limerick. The majority of those visitors are English. The arrangements for pleasure excursions to Ireland entered into by the Great Southern and Western Railway Company and the London and Holyhead Company gave the first impulse to this movement. The Queen's visit, and we do not hesitate to say the manner in which her Gracious Majesty was received in Ireland—have given it a hundred fold impetus. All at the other side of the channel seem at length determined to see Ireland and the Irish with their own eyes, and, as a matter of course, Killarney, the brightest gem in the Irish casket. We have entered into frequent and familiar conversation with English gentlemen at the several hotels, and one hearty and generous feeling towards our "poor old country" was the prominent sentiment with each and all. It was under these circumstances that we rejoiced that Mr. McDonnell, chairman of the Great Southern and Western Railway Company, has declared that the moment their line shall have been completed to Cork, they will apply themselves to the finishing of the Killarney Junction. Nor is it less gratifying to us to state that Captain Wolf's report of Valencia Harbour—that great centre and heart, let us hope, of future intercourse between Kerry, the sister country, and the great continent of America—will be most favourable."

The correspondent of the Times, at Paris on the 5th instant, says:—Four young English women lately abjured Protestantism, and were admitted members of the Roman Catholic Church at Dinan. The *Dix Decembre* adds that the ceremony was most affecting.

#### 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 valuable assistance of the members of the Association for the Propagation of the Catholic Faith. With their powerful aid, our circulation might be double its present amount in the city of Halifax alone; and to bring this useful weekly Periodical within the reach of every one in Halifax, we are anxious that our friends in different parts of the city should assist us in the sale of the Paper. The following have already promised their services in the kindest manner, to promote this religious work, and the Cross can be regularly had from them at an early hour on the mornings of publication: Mr. James Donohoe, Market Square.

Mr. Fortistall, corner of Brunswick and Jacob Streets;  
Mr. John Barron, corner of Gottingen and Cornwallis streets;  
Mr. Thomas Connor, adjoining St. Patrick's Church.  
Mr. Richard O'Neil, Water Street;  
Mr. Joseph Roles, Water Street, near Fairbanks' Wharf.  
Mr. Thomas Thorpe, Dartmouth.

#### Paper Hangings and Borders.

THE Subscriber has received by the Brit. Hall a large assortment of ROOM PAPER, Window Blinds and Borders, of New Patterns and low Prices. JAMES DONOHOE