

AFFAIRS IN IRELAND.

BY CABLE FROM IRELAND SPECIAL NEWS AGENCY LONDON, Feb. 22, 1883.

The murder trial in Dublin are still the all-absorbing topic of the hour, and the interest is deepened by the revelations of the rottenness of the English system in Ireland. It is known that there was a sharp struggle at the castle before it was finally decided to bring him forward as a witness.

There were three different meetings of the Privy Council in Dublin at which the question was discussed and Crown Prosecutor Murphy's apology shows how keenly the humiliation of their position is felt by the Castle officials, who are not at all thin-skinned in such matters.

As per is general among all classes of the community at this juncture. According to his own confession he is as guilty as any of his associates and was the means of bringing many of them into the conspiracy.

The reward expected by the Government for this infamy is the imposition of the Lord League leaders and Carey's evidence is carefully directed to that end.

The Tory speeches in the House of Commons are singularly bitter in tone and party feeling is running high. The Irish Party is thus enabled to maintain an attitude of reserve. Many attempts have been made to draw Mr. Parnell into an expression of opinion on the Dublin trials and a speech of apology.

Mr. Parnell's statement that the murder was suggested by an article in the Freeman is an old and bitter hatred to Mr. Gray, who opposed several winding schemes which the informer had concocted against the Dublin Corporation.

Mr. Gray, who now seeks to wreak vengeance on him by establishing a rivalry between attempts at murder and the Freeman's criticism on the Irish administration.

To sum up, the result of this infamous plot is that the excitement caused by the trial is passing away, and the Government will lose prestige; first, for the failure to discover the plot earlier; and secondly, for their attempt to morally assassinate the Parnells.

LEAGUE ELECTION PROSPECTS. In Ireland the whole business is discussed without passion, and, after the first day's work, the Parliamentary agitation proceeds tranquilly.

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT. Shortly after the opening of Parliament, on the 10th inst., the Speaker read a letter announcing the arrest of Mr. Healy.

resolution of last session against Mr. Bradlaugh was not valid this session. The Marquis of Hartington said it was the business of the House and not the Government to attend to Mr. Bradlaugh's voting.

Mr. Parnell announced that he would offer an amendment to the address in reply to the speech from the throne. He also gave notice that he would severely criticize the administration of the Times act, jury packing and iniquitous sentences.

Mr. O'Brien, in response to a challenge from Sir Herbert Maxwell, conservative, to explain the attitude of the Irish members with regard to the Kilmainham disclosures, said that crime in Ireland was distinctly traceable to evictions and tyrannical administration of the law by the officials of Dublin Castle.

Mr. Parnell gave notice that he would introduce a bill amending the Land Act. Mr. Justin McCarthy gave notice that he would introduce a bill to abolish the Irish vote royalty.

Bad Thoughts. Bad thoughts, if cherished, will blight virtue, destroy purity and undermine the noblest foundations of character.

Archbishop Wood's Little Pet. Philadelphia, February 3.—A frolicsome little gray mouse occupies a cage by the bedside of Archbishop Woods, and is the special pet of the kindly old man.

Substitute for Bells. In some places in Europe steel bars are used in preference to bells, supplanting the sound sometimes altogether, in church steeples, and producing very pure, distinct, and melodious sounds.

A Rifle, a Satchel, and a \$1,000 Bond. The wealth of the late Bishop Rosecrans, according to an inventory filed in the Probate Court at Columbus, O., consisted of one old Spencer rifle, one small hand satchel, and one bond of the H. W. & T. railroad for \$1,000.

550,000. Bishop Lyman, of North Carolina, gave as a bride present to his daughter, who last week became the wife of Representative Cox, of that State, a check for \$50,000.—Press-Despatch.

NIGHT CRUCIFIXES, STATUES AND CROSSSES. What are they? Why so called? They are called night crucifixes because the beauties they possess can only be seen and appreciated at night.

A little girl in Casco, Wisconsin, while at the breakfast table a few mornings since, made loud and repeated calls for buttered toast. After disposing of a liberal quantity of that nourishing article she was told that too much toast would do her no good.

C. M. B. A. NOTES.

Through the failure of the Mahon Banking Co. of this city, a number of our Catholic people are heavy losers; and among others we are sorry to hear of C. M. B. A. Grand Recorder, Mr. S. J. Brown, is a financial sufferer.

The Miseries of a Mean Man. Sometimes I wonder what a mean man thinks about when he goes to bed. When he turns out the light and lies down.

Advantages of Long Nose. Mozart's nose was a very long one, a great contrast to his friend Haydn's, who had almost a flat nose.

LOCAL NOTICES. The International Throat and Lung Institute, Toronto and Montreal, is positively the only one in America.

Another Voice in Favor of the Pride of the Valley. HUDSONVILLE, N.Y., Feb. 17, 1882. DEAR SIR—Your valuable medicine has done me a great deal of good.

THE SABBEST OF SAD SIGHTS.—The gray hairs of age being brought with sorrow to the grave is now, we are glad to think, becoming rarer every year.

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A Romantic Ragged \$2 Bank Bill. Many different stories are told about the piece which Underwood Fisher, of the Three Rivers House, drew from the Louisiana State Lottery.

COMMERCIAL. London Markets. Ont., Feb. 23. GRAIN. Wheat, Spring, 100 lbs. \$1.00 to 1.05.

London Stock Market. Feb. 23. Shares. \$50 Agricultural, 121 1/2; \$50 Commercial, 121 1/2; \$50 Dominion, 121 1/2.

Montreal Market. Feb. 23. Market quiet, unchanged. Quotations are as follows: Superior, 5 1/2 to 5 3/4; extra, 5 1/2 to 5 3/4.

Toronto Markets—Car Lots. Feb. 23. WHEAT—Fall, No. 1, \$1.08 to \$1.08; No. 2, \$1.04 to \$1.05.

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ROPER'S CURE FOR DYSPEPSIA.

A FARMER SPEAKS. Mr. Amos Jay, Copenhagen, Ont., says he was afflicted with Liver complaint that he was obliged to give up work.

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