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RETREAT AT ST. PATRICK'S. MONTREAL.

Two Sermons by Father Henning.

We give the following: synopsis of two sermons delivered by Father Henning, last week, during the Retreat to the young men :---

CONFESSION.

The REY. FATHER HENNING said :-- "There was once a king, who, accompanied by his soldiers, took a walk along the banks of a very rapid stream. It was a warm day, and one of the soldiers asked permission to be allowed to take a cooling bath. His request being acceded to, he went into the did not know what to do, and so put his arms river, but, as he was ignorant of its currents, he was carried off by the rapid torrent. His companions became alarmed at his danger, but the king seized a lance, and held it out to we can tell all our joys and sorrows. Can we the drowning youth. The latter took hold of trust the friends of earth? Sometimes we the lance, but it cut his hand, and he ex-claimed, "I can't hold it." The king implored him to "Hold fast. It's your only The soldier obeyed, and was saved. This king is Jesus Christ the Saviour of the It has never yet been heard that a Catholic world. He came down from heaven, and saw man on the point of being carried away by sional. But we find examples in which a the rapid stream of destruction. He seized a priest could suffer anything, even death, rather lance, and said, "Take hold of this and I than violate the seal of the confessional. There will save you." Man says he cannot, but have been apostates, who have gone around Jesus says, "Take hold of it. Though it lecturing against the confessional, but they causes you pain, it is the only thing that can. have dealt in generalities. Not one of save you." That lance is them yet has pointed out this man or that save you." That lance is

THE SACRAMENT OF PENANCE.

It is painful, because it is humiliating for a man to bend his knees before his fellowmen and confess his sins. It is also painful, because it causes self-examination, and requires trouble, care and anxiety. But it is your only chance It is the ordinary remedy for the forgiveness of those sins committed after baptism. In order to understand this doctrine, it will be necessary to ask a few questions. Does God intend to forgive the sins of men? Reason cannot answer, but Revelation comes to our assistance, and tells us that God came down from heaven to save man. In His human nature He suffered on the cross, to bring His children back to Him, for does not desire the death of He Revelation answers the the sinner. question satisfactorily. Does God intend to forgive sins through the instrumentality of others, or by Himself? In answer to this, Reason cannot say "Yes" or "No," cannot again, and says it is the express will of God that sins shall be

FORGIVEN BY PROXY.

Christ gave His Apostles extraordinary powers-to tie or untie; to bind or lose; to open or close the gates of Heaven; to forgive These powers were given, when he sins. breathed upen them, and gave them the Holy (ihost. There were once two brothers; they were both Protestant Ministers. And they had a very laudable habit of reading together a chapter of the Bible before retiring to rest. One evening they came across this chapter, which speaks of the power to forgive sins. One said to the other "What is the meaning of these words?" He replied that he could see only one meaning, viz.: That the Apostles had the power to forgive sins. The other asked, "Are we not the successors of the Apostles?" "I thought so." "Then if we never exercise that power, it is clear that we do not believe, and it is about time we joined that church, which did believe in the power to forgive sins." And he soon after became a good Catholic. Any person with a moderate amount of reflection must come to the conclusion that the successors of the Apostles have still this power. Christ gave this power till the end of time. Thus has the Church defined and explained these texts. Now, what follows

The priest absolved him, and told him to come and take the Holy Communion in the morning. "Oh, I cannot do that," said the man. "Why not?" inquired the priest. "Because I am a Quaker," was the reply. "Then, what brings you to confession?" asked the priest. "Well, Mister, I was watch-

ing the people come into this box; when they went in they were sad, but when they came out they were joyful. I said to myself, there must be some power in this, and thought I would like to feel as they did." There was a great truth, and a magnificent truth, in this. When a Catholic goes to confession, no matter how heavy his heart feels, his sins are all forgiven. Father Henning related another case, in which a very wicked man, after receiving absolution, felt so happy that he aroand the priest, and nearly choked him with delight. We must have a friend; someone to sympathize with us, someone to whom can, but as a general thing we cannot. Jesus Christ knows this very well, and says, "I will give you a friend whom you can trust," and this friend we find in the priest. priest has violated the seal of the confeswoman, saying—"They came to me and said such and such a thing."

The Rev. Father concluded his sermon by showing that the confession was a divine institution. "Remember, that Jesus says to you -'It is your only chance.' Let us, then, my dear young friends, submit to this penance. Let us take hold of the lance, even though it does hurt, and our spiritual lives will be saved, if we submit to the Sacrament of Penance."

Throughout the whole of the sermon Father Henning was listened to with deep interest by the large congregation, which filled the entire Church.

INTEMPERANCE.

After making the usual announcements last evening, the Rev. Father Henning preached a telling sermon on intemperance to the young men attending the Retreat at St. Patrick's Church. The Rev. Father said say anything about it. Revelation steps in he had chosen for his theme a subject which might not be interesting or entertaining, but which was, nevertheless, of the greatest importance, as our whole happiness in life depended upon it. This theme was the vice of intemperance-the curse of the young men of Canada. In offering the subject, he said that man existed on earth in a threefold relation-first, in his relation towards his Creator; second, towards his family; and third, towards society. To suppose that man was an isolated being was an absurdity ; he must be looked upon in his threefold character. There was no blacker curse than that of intemperance. The Rev. Father's object was to induce those who were addicted to intemperance to give up the vice, or, if they were not yet its slaves, to avoid it. Man was created in the image of God, but when he became the slave of intemperance, he wiped out and destroyed the impressions of this divine image. The demons of pride, anger and revenge annihilated the sanctifying grace of God, but could not wipe out this image. The only thing that could do this was

THE DEMON OF INTEMPERANCE.

" Look at the drunkard as he staggers forth from the grog-shop. Does he show that he has the image of God any longer? Where is his freedom, his liberty, his intellect, or his power of volition? He is as weak as an infant; he cannot put two ideas together. A from this? It follows that we must go to little child can push him into the street. He would desire to rob Europe and America of written off a sum of £538, expense incurred confession. Jesus Christ did not merely give the Apostles power to forgive sins, but he also gave them power to retain sins. They is not his worst crime. He not only deis not his worst crime. He not only degrades his human nature, but, what is worse, he degrades that nature which has been redeemed. Therefore, every act of drunkenness is

not the cause; it is the vice of intemperance. It is the

CURSED CANADIAN WHISKEY

that is doing it. See how the elections are conducted. Votes are bought and sold with a glass of whiskey. That is the reason why the country is going down. Believe me I have read the records of crime, and have come to the conclusion, that out of one hundred crimes, ninety-nine are attributable to the influence of drink." The rev. father then contrasted the superior condition of the sober young man, who is able to withstand temptation, with that of the drunkard, who commits immoral sins before he is aware of He continued: "People talk of hard for the injury inflicted on the trade. it. times. What is the cause? Some attribute it to this, and others to that, but remove the cause and the hard times will ccase. But what is the cause? It is the vile curse of intemperance. Some young men squander their money in drink, and when they get out of employment they suck their thumbs and complain of the hard times. A sober young man saves his money, and when a wet day comes he is prepared for it. If you practice the virtue of temperance, you that young men so easily become drunkards? Because they go into bad company. A young man is tempted to take his first glass. He refuses, but at last consents. He takes a sip-"Ah! what stuff;" he takes a second onethe "ah" is not so strong; he takes the third-"ah, that's good." And that is

THE FIRST NAIL HE HAS DRIVEN INTO HIS COFFIN

Father Henning then traced the downward course of the drunkard, and entreated his hearers never to learn the vice. "If a friend offers to treat you, do not accept his offer; let him keep his money and spend it on his family. Have courage to say 'no.' If you have not become the victim of this vice, follow the advice of Father Matthew: 'Do not take your first glass.' But if you have, tear it out of your heart. Join a temperance society, and help your pastors to create a public sentiment in favor of temperance. If you do not care to join a public society, ask your priest in the confessional to let you sign the pledge. But when your pledge expires, renew it again, and do not again become the victim of this vice." The sermon occupied over one hour in delivery, and the Rev. Father's remarks elicited

marked attention from his hearers.

Cetewayo's Crown.

Cetewayo's crown was made by the regimental tailor of the Seventy-fifth. It is of red velvet, profusely ornamented with officers' collar-badges, and made something like a beefcater's cap, with two very long ear-flaps that come down to the waist. It is further adorned with a long, red ostrich feather. The feather was given by one of the officers' wives, whose brother, Captain Shepstone, was among those killed on the 21st of January.

The Jews.

(Jewish Chronicle).

The Jewish Chronicle remarks that it may appear fanciful to anticipate the regeneration of Palestine by human means in our own time, and yet there is much to be said in favour of the possibility of accomplishing a result which no Jew can contemplate without emotion. If the fertile land of Canaan should be made again to flow with milk and honey, if human labour should cause it once more to smile with harvests, then an age which has witnessed the liberation of Italy, and the abolition of slavery in Northern and Eastern Europe and the United States, would be memorable indeed in the history of the world. The new moral fact which must come into existence before the dream becomes a reality is enthusiastic acceptance of the duty of IRISH NEWS.

The mission which was opened in the Killarney Cathedral by the Redemptorist Fathers, M'Loughlin, Livius, Peter and Doherty, is being attended by immense congregations.

The Freeman London Correspondent writes on Monday :- I am informed that the Govern-ment intend to take an early opportunity of announcing the total withdrawal of the Coercion Act.

A conference of the beer, wine and spiri trade of Ireland was held recently, at which resolutions were passed condemning the Sunday Closing Bill, and claiming compensation

A placard was recently posted about Dublin on the "New Departure," which was thought seditions by the authorities, and every policeman on whose beat one was posted was fined thirty or forty shillings for not tearing it down.

Dr. Frederick Navier McCabe, who acted as Local Government Inspector at Cork for the last three years, has been selected to suc ceed Mr. O'Brien in Dublin. Mr. Power, the will be a good Catholic, the good founder of newly-appointed inspector, will, it is a family, and you will be happy. How is it understood, be stationed in the West of Ireis land.

Considerable apprehensions have been excited among sheep farmers in the County Roscommon, owing to the prevailing mortality among sheep, as an instance of which may be cited the case of a gentleman living near Elphin, who lost a flock of 100 sheep, with the exception of nine.

At a meeting in support of the candidature of Colonel Colthurst, held in Cork, recently, Mr. Shaw, M.P., declared that henceforward he would vote on all occasions against the present Government. A subscription list was opened to defray Colonel Colthurst's exnenses.

Dublin still maintains its melancholy preeminence as the most unhealthy city in the United Kingdom. Its death-rate for the past week is returned by the Registrar-General as 50 per 1,000, exceeding by 9 that of Liverpool, which shows the largest mortality in England and Scotland.

By an Order-in-Council, published in a refuture be registered persons, like members of they permit their milk vessels to become impure or unclean, or diseased hands or atmostemporarily stopped from pursuing the trade. It has been decided to extend the Midland Great Western branch of railway from Clara to Banagher, King's County. A deposit of £2,800 has been lodged to carry out the exten-

sion line, which will be a great boon to the people of Banagher and its vicinity. The necessary guarantee has been given, and it is expected that there will be no difficulty in of safety." passing the Bill through Parliament during the present session.

THE REPRESENTATION OF DOWNPATRICK .- The following address has been very largely cir-Down :- " To the free and independant electors of the borough of Downpatrick-Gentlement."

CORK GAS COMPANY .- The report of the Cork Gas Company has been published. The net profits for the year were £6,300, out of which a dividend at a rate of 8 per cent was recommended. There was a falling off of $\pounds700$ in the rental, but this was attributable to a reduction in the price of gas. The company labour by the Jews of Palestine. No sane man | they have put £500 to depreciation fund, and

CATHOLIC NEWS.

The Germania alleges that the petition of the Catholic ladies of the Rhine provinces to Emperor William has resulted in the postponement under certain conditions, of the dissolution of the Catholic nunnery schools at Ahrweller and Nonnenwert.

A New CATHOLIC PAPER IN BELGIUM .- The want of a cheap popular Catholic paper has long been felt in Belgium. This want is now being supplied, and on Monday last was published in Ghent the first number of De Gentenaar, which will be hawked through tha streets of that town at the price of two centimes.

The London Universe says :--- "Look for a moment at the moral aspect of United Italy. The fiscal advocate of Milan tells us that in that city, which has 200,000 inhabitants, 108 persons attemnted their lives last year, which is more than two a week, and he states that most of these were people of education. Throughout Italy suicides are on the increase. From 1864 to 1866, when Rome and Venice did not yet belong to the kingdom, 1912 suicides took place; in the five years after this the numbers rose to 3794, and in the four years from 1872 till 1876 it reached the figure of 4826. In the same period fifty-sixty murders took place every year for every million of inhabitants, whereas in the neighboring country of Switzerland the number is but twenty-four. Infanticide also is increasing rapidly, but altogether, if things go on as they had been so well begun by the Cavours the Farinis and Cialdinis, we shall in the end find all the national wealth swallowed up in known by its fruits."

The Berlin correspondent of the London Times, writing of Socialism in Germany, makes this remark concerning the Catholics : "In Catholic Bavaria, it will be observed, with a population second only to that of Prussia, the proscription list (of exiles for socialism) is very small, numbering only a dozen repressions, from which the curious conclusion would seem to result that the Socialists are more numerous in the Protestaut than in the Catholic States of the Empire. If it be true, morcover, as Schußle, in his ' Quintessence of Socialism,' seeks to establish, that hostility cent Dublin Gazette, dairy-keepers must in to the Church is the inevitable concomilant of enmity to the State, that greed and the medical profession, and if at any time godlessness go together, then it would likewise appear to follow that the further away men remove from Rome, the phere to contaminate the milk, they will be more rationalistic do they become. "This says the Boston Pilol, "is a precious confession, and more valuable because it is true. Hoedel and Nobiling are anything but saints to the German Catholics; their pristine faith has never yet been poisoned by Socialistic doctrines. There are many reasons for believing that even Prince Bismarck will yet be led to give justice to the German Catholics, even as a measure

" What has Piedmont done for Italy ?" asks the London Universe. "Let us look at a few figures to answer this question. The greater part of Italy has been the undisputed property culated in the principal towns in the County | of the Piedmontese King these eighteen years When this state of things began in 1851, the whole debt of Italy amounted to a little over men you are requested to keep yourselves unpledged, as a local gentleman will have the had grown up to 405 million; at present, the 123 million pounds; six years after this, it unpledged, as a local gentieman with have the pleasure of soliciting your suffrages at the next election for the honour of representing your ancient borough in the Imperial Parliamillion pounds, and the annual proceeds from it are 149 million sterling. Of this, over 68 million, or nearly one half, is swallowed up every year by taxes, or in other words, a man who earns £150 a year is only allowed to keep £82 to live on. No wonder that over 108,000 people should have emigrated in 1876; that the country has to support 400,000 habitual have a reserve of £10,000, in addition to which | paupers who live like pigs on acorns, only they grind them instead of swallowing them, shell and all; and that most Italian his family is to be deprived of all the money

Corporal Punishment.

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Corporal punishment is still permitted in the public schools of Boston, subject to the rule that it shall always consist of blows on the hand with a rattan. Superintendent Eliot advocates further restriction, so that whippings shall never be inflicted while the teacher is in a passion. "There should be," he says, an interval between the offense and the chastisement at least as long as that between two sessions." But imagine the torturing suspense in which the pupil would be placed.

A Chinamans Wife.

The trial of a Chinaman for assault and battery in the police court of San Franciso has brought out a strange story of a Chinese girl's unhappy experiences. She said that her parents in China sold her to "a gray-haired lady" for twenty dollars when she was ten years of age. She was resold to a Chinese doctor in San Francisco named Lia l'o Tai. This doctor has several wives, one of whom sold her to a Chinaman for \$40. Her market price gradually increased to \$160, and by the time she was twenty years old she had changed hands a dozen times. Recently she heard that she was to be sold to a Chinaman living in the interior of the State, and it was in consequence of her refusal to go that the assault was committed and the disturbance created that brought the case before the public.

The Oneida Community.

-The Oneida Community replies in its organ, the American Socialist, to the charges of the Syracuse clergy, with a challenge to taxation, and shall see every man's hand raised anybody to " vite a single case of immoral ac-against his neighbor. Let United Italy be tion growing out of the influence of the Comtion growing out of the influence of the Com-munity." The following argument is put forward : "The worst enemies of the Community admit, as Dr. Mears did at the Conference, that its members are sincere and honest. The charge is that they are fanatical and mistaken. Does their record prove this? The Community take care of its own, and throws off no wrecks such as are constantly falling from ordinary society. It has furnished no paupers, no criminals, no abandoned women, no neglected children. Is it not, then, working out a valuable experiment?" The Community defies legal prosecution, on the ground that it violates no law,

Gold on the Pacific Slope.

Thirly-one years ago gold was first discovered in paying quantities on the Pacific slope, and since that time the yield has never failed. During that period there has been produced in the States and Territories west of the Missouri river, bullion to the value of \$1,985,527,939. Of this amount about \$1,-581,443,693 has consisted of gold and \$405,-094,346 of silver. Besides this there has heen produced to date in the several Atlantic States, something like \$80,000,000, the most of it in North Carolina, Virginia and Georgia. If to this be added the entire yield of British Columbia to date \$33.000.000, San Francisco receipts from the north-west coast of Mexico, \$9,000,000, and the product of the Atlantic States, \$30,000,000, we have a total of \$2,857,-527,939 produced from the above sources, all but \$42,000,000 being from mines within the borders of our neighbors,

The Life Insurace Company.

A man died in Montreal a short time since. His life had been insured for ten or fifteen years in a highly respectable Insurance Company. It appears, however, that there is some doubt as to his exact age at the time he insured. When he died his widow applied in the usual way for the amount of the insurance, and she was informed that the supposed discrepancy in the age of her deceased husband compelled them, to withhold the insurance money. Thus, because a man by. mistake or otherwise, says that he is two or three years younger than he really is-no matter if he pays a premium for fifteen years,

were to exercise a discretionary power, when to forgive and when not to forgive. Since fied does not reveal the condition of our consciences to the Apostles, then it follows that we must confess to them. That this has been the doctrine of the Church, is proved by its traditions, traced back from our day to the Council of Trent, and from thence to the very days of the Apostles themselves. But says some one: "How can a man forgive sins?" The Rev. Father himself did not believe that a man could forgive sin. The Church never taught that. "But is not a priest a man?" "Yes, but every man is not a priest."

EVERY HORSE HAS FOUR LEGS,

but it does not follow that everything that has four legs is a horse (laughter). It is not the man in the priest that forgives the sins, but it is the priest in the man that possesses the power. Therefore, it is not the man that forgives sin. When the priest kneels before the Bishop, at his ordination, he has no more power to forgive sins than his grandmother (laughter), but as soon as the Bishop lays his hands upon his head, he receives the Holy Ghost, and the power to forgive sins, but not until then. The priest is the same man before as after. The only change is that he has received the Holy Ghost. One will sayfrail human being should receive such roll up their sleeves and fight for it. We know the names of the inventors of the steam-engine, the power-loom, and of all history of the Church, we find the confessional in every age. Not only in the 12th cen-tury, nor in the 6th, nor in the 3rd; but we trace it back to the time of Jesus Christ. The priests also go to confession. Some ignorant people suppose that the people confess to the priest, the priest to the Bishop, the latter to Cardinal, or to a Bishop, or to Almighty God; but to a simple priest, and receives absolution. There is one sentiment which the human heart cannot conquer, and that is a desire to be confident of our relations with God. our knowledge comes from the external edge that sin is forgiven, but the priest does. whilst on a mission: A man come and confessed by a miserable lot of politicians: we are a all the sins of his life in a very careful manner. nation of paupers. But the politicians are rectified spirits.

AN INSULT TO ALMIGHTY GOD.

The drunkard does one thing, which no other sinner can do. What is that? I shudder when I think of it. He neutralizes-he destroys in himself the work of divine redemption, and makes the mercy of God, an impossibility. There is the murderer, with a dagger in his had. He raises it, and plunges it into the heart of his victim. Whilst yet his hands are stained with the heart's blood of his victim, he repents and says he is sorry. God forgives him, and takes him to heaven. There is the burglar. He enters a house, but awakens the owner, who puts a bullet through his lungs. He has his senses and asks forgiveness. And God forgives him. There is the strumpet, who is stricken down by the hand of God. She has one moment of consciousness, and prays God for mercy. And He wipes out

THE SINS OF A LIFE-TIME.

But when a drunkard dies in his drunkenness, he dies like a pig. He dies in a state in which he cannot think of his sins, and all the "But is not that a perpetual miracle, that a priests in the world cannot absolve him. frail human being should receive such Why? Because the necessary contrition for power?" It is a great miracle; and it is in-deed strange that man will not believe it. make your hair stand on end. It is a thought There are in the world 260,000,000 of Catho- which should make "every mother's son of There are in the world 260,000,000 or Catho-lics, who unitedly believe in this doctrine. Is not that a mincle? These 260,000,000 gou " go and sign the pledge. Next to a man's relations to God are the relations which he bears to his family. As there are three per-great burdsh, yet they do not give it up. Is that uot another mincle? And again, if persons in the family---the father, the mother they are opposed to this doctrine, they will and the offspring. The Rev. Father then the bars to hove at considerable length the evils and That | showed, at considerable length, the evils and is miracle number three. Some say that the misery caused in the family circle by the confessional is the invention of the priests. vice of intemperance, and asked: "Is it not true that the greatest curse that can fall upon you is the curse of drunkenness?" those who have given to the world the result | He next pointed out the relations in which of their genius. We ask those persons to man stood with society; and said that it was, name the inventor of confession, and they and had been, the aim of the Church to civilcannot tell. This shows that their statement ize humanity. We are a civilized people. is a gratuitous assertion. If we go back to the But where there is no law there can be no order nor government. There can be no law when society is steeped in rum; and no nation can stand which is

A NATION OF DRUNKARDS.

Look at Rome. There came a time when the Emperors gave the example of intemperance the Pope, and the Pope to Almighty God. to the people. There was a time when one But this is not so. "The Bishop confesses to man could have saved the Empire, and he was a simple priest. The Pope does not go to a Mark Antony. But he went to Egypt, got into had company and fell into the vice of drunkenness. The battle of Actium was fought, the Romans were defeated, and the Roman Empire, with all its grandeur, fell, never to rise again. Look at Carthage, the In our pleasures and sorrows arises this dread of the Roman Empire. Hannibal thought: "How do I stand with God ?" All | crossed the Alps and encamped before Rome. His soldiers drank the wine of Naples, beworld. Prayer itself does not give the knowl- | came an army of drunkards, and Hannibal's power soon fell. The same is the story As soon as the priest has pronounced the of the Mcdes, the Persians, the Scythi-words of absolution, then the soul is washed ans, and every other nation of drunkards. -as white as snow The Rev. Father related And the same will be the case with Canada an anecdote which came under his notice if she follows their example. We are governed

quit it as soon as possible in the capacity of Hebrew Ambassador to Paris. But there are Jews in many parts of the world to whom a return to the cradle of the race would be an improvement in their material position as well as the fulfilment of the desire of their whole hearts.

An Unlucky English Regiment.

(From the Washington Capital.)

The recent fate of the 24th Regiment of the British line in Zululand is peculiarly melancholy. The regiment is nearly 200 years old, having been originally embodied by William of Orange in 1691, for service in the Flemish War and the Netherlands. Its records show a tour of service unsurpassed by any other regiment of the British army, for variety and hard knocks, and it has always been unlucky. Its first experience was a disaster, being almost annihilated at the battle of Steenkirke when it was hardly two years old. Subsequently it suffered out of all proportion to its comrades at Blenhein, Ramilies and Malplaquet, and was unelly relieved and sent home, in the latter part of Queen Anne's War, in consequence of the impossibility of keeping its ranks recruited. Forty years afterward it had an almost similar experience on the same

ground, in the war of the succession, and still later, in the 18th century, it suffered immense losses, and was at last contured bodily in the American Revolution. Roturning to England, it enjoyed only a few years of rest when it was sent to Egypt, and participated in Sir Ralph Abercrombie's operations, where its bad luck did not desert it. Thence the regiment went to the Peninsula, where it campais ned five years, suffering, as usual, beyond all proportion. It was foremost at the storming of Ciu-dad Rodrigo and St. Sebastian; in the defi.^{es} of the Pyreneos ; in the forcing of the passage of the Bidasson and the Nine, and in the battles of Nivelle, Orthes and Toulouse. It escaped Waterloo only by coming to America, after the first abdication of Napoleon, and participating in the operations which terminated the war of 1812 in humiliation to the arms of England. Then it was sent to India, where it had a hard round of service under Combermere, Hardinge, and Napier, suffering, as usual, excessively in the first Sikh war. It was no novice at the Cape, either, for it had already borne the brunt of two Caffir wars, and had done as much to establish British rule in that quarter as any other regiment that ever served there. In short England has had only one great war in nearly two hundred years in which the old 24th has not borne a hand. That one was the Crimean war, which it escaped chiefly on account of the sympathy at the Horse Guards for its unlucky tradition, and though it was on the roster for foreign service when the Crimean expedition was made up, another regiment was detailed to take its place, and it was sent to one of the colonies. Finally, after nearly two hundred years of slaughter in every clime, and in hattle against every enemy of England, civilized or barbarous, the 24th has been annihilated by

IODINE STAINS .- Is there anything that will

PROSECUTION UNDER THE COERCION ACT .-Lately at the Drogheda petty sessions, a master mariner, named Owen Crawley, late in

command of the coasting vessel 'Anne Maria," was prosecuted by the police, under the terms of the Peace Preservation Act, for having a box of percussion caps in his possession. Mr. Tiernan held that sea captains required firearms and powder for signalling on their vessels, and did not require a license The bench held otherwise, and sentenced defendant to 48 hours' imprisonment, without the option of a fine.—Freeman

DEATH OF ALDERMAN DANIEL M'CARTY, EX-MAYOR OF KILKENNY .--- A correspondent of the Nation writes :--- Itis m ypainful duty to record the death of Alderman D. M'Carthy, which took place early on the morning of the 13th ultimo. The deceased gentleman, who occupied the position of mayor of this city for the past year, was long and honourably known in Kilkenny for his kindness to the poor, whose welfare had a regard from him at all times, and for his simple unassuming manner, honesty and uprightness of character in all his dealings. He is sincerely regretted by a widt circle of friends.

Irish Savings Bank.

The returns from the Irish Savings Bank compiled by Dr. Hancock, for the past year show a failing off in the deposits and cash balances in joint stock banks of £1,516,000 as compared with the preceding year. Be tween 1878 and 1877 there was a decrease of £1,090,000. The decrease is accounted for by the depression which has generally prevailed for the last two years.

Irish and Catholic Colonization.

The question of Irish and Catholic coloniration of the Western States and territories ontinues to be warmly advocated. For the bette. furtherance of the movement its supporters, are endeavouring to bring together a general conference or convention on St. Patrick's Da,". A suggestion has been made that the confer. ence should be held in Chicago and has been he artily seconded by the St. Patrick's Society of that city. Therefore it may be expected that means will be adopted for procuring widely-co. "certed action in the

Cork Men Killed in _\frica.

matter.

(Cork Correspondent Irish Tin. es.) The 2nd Battalion of the 24th was r. vised in

1856. A large number of members of the Royal Irish Constabulary were induced to jo.ⁱⁿ as non-commissioned officers. The battalion proceeded on service to the Mauritius in 1860, and returned to England in 1870. It was one of the regiments sent out to the Cape about twelve months ago when reinforcements for the troops in the colony were called for. Three of the officers who fell at least belonged to this district; and one, Mr. Coghill, who fell, is the son of Sir John Jocelyn Coghill, of, Castletownsend. He recently joined the 24th Regiment. The Hon. Ulick Roche, brother of. Lord Fermoy, and Mr. Lloyd, son of Mr. Lloyd,

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of Strancally Castle, were also officers in the remove stains from bed-linen ? Ans .-- Apply regiment, but their names have not been returned amongst the slain.

year's end. These are the blessings of Italian unity.

One of our exchanges, is of opinion that French Radicalism must be very hard to please if the Education Bill brought forward by the French Minister of Public Instruction is not favorably viewed by the majority of the Chamber of Deputies. M. Bardoux, who, be it remembered, professes to be a Catholic, proposes that primary instruction shall be compulsory for all children of both sexes beschool will, in the first instance, be admonished by the Mayor; in the event of the offence being repeated, his name will be posted up at the Town Hall; and if these punishments should not have the desired effect, he Already such a dread possibility as secession will be deprived of his political rights for a from the Union, in the event of our failure to will not be allowed to fill any public office. Moreover, conscripts who cannot read and five years. It is truly pointed out that M. resolved, as their adversaries have all along contended, to go back to the Revolution for their legislative projects."

Father Walsh and the Hibernians. (New York Sun).

There is some excitement over the contest between Father Walsh of the Church of Our Lady Star of the Sea and the members of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. It seems that the Hibernians were allowed to occupy as their meeting room the vestry of the church. Father Walsh recently asked the Order to help pay the cost of warming the building. Many of the members were in favor of a donation for that purpose, but the majority ruled against it. There had been some disagreement between them and the pastor on political matters. Two Sundays ago the pastor, from his pulpit, warned every member of the congregation, that if they or their friends hired or leased any room to Division No. 5. A. O. H. for the purpose of meeting, it would be in defiance of his wishes. Nevertheless the Division did meet in the vestry, and its action was soon reported to the pastor. Last Sunday the priest denounced several members of the Order of Hibernians, for alleged immoral conduct.

St. Jean Baptiste Infantry Company.

The Militia Report contains the following in reference to St. Jean Baptiste Infantry Company: "This is a really magnificent Company

and a credit to any force. The men are very tall, well sized, and up to their work."

Baptism and Revolvers.

The ceremony of baptism by immersion was celebrated in western Texas the other day, and when the fourteen candidates walked down to the water fifteen, revolvers were deposited on the bank of the stream, that of the Git! Clear the track! Scatter! This is no. preacher making the fifteenth. التربية والمتعاولين والمراجع العووا

do their business, the sooner the public know it the better.

Secession on the Pacific.

(From the San Francisco Daily Stock Record). This is the most critical time in the history of California. Whether there is to be bloodshed and anarchy in our fair State, riot, incendiarism and murder; whether our green fields are to be blackened and our garden spot laid waste; or whether, rather than incur these tween the ages of six and thirteen. The dreadful evils, we shall culturly, in the end, all father who neglects to send his children to other resorts having failed, meet and sever our connection with the national confederation, making laws for our preservation and the preservation of our children's heritage, the events of the next two days may determine. period varying from one to five years, and will not be allowed to fill any public office. evil, is broadly talked of in high circles. The East has utterly failed to understand our situawrite, and who would, according to the tion and to extend the aid and sympathy we present law, serve in the second portion of the have the right to expect from the sisterhood contingent (for one year), will be embodied of States. Leading men say that we have in the first portion and be obliged to serve pleaded, have exhausted arguments, have cried aloud for relief, but our most earnest appeals Bardoux's bill bears a great resemblance to have been treated with indignity and our sufone passed by the Convention in 1798. Are, ferings been made a mockery. As a last rethen, the French Republicans of to-day really | sort we will take advantage of the geographical lines that surround us, the vast extent of soil within our boundaries, the exhaustless resources of wealth that are ours, and set up an Occidental republic, which, if it cannot rival the old republic in its glory of the past, will at least be a magnificient empire of white freemen, whose heritage shall be preserved to their children's children forever.

History of the American Indians. (Compiled from the New York Graphic)

1620. Pilgrim Fathers to Indian-Give us little toot-hold here, dear Indian.

1650. P. F. to I.-Make room, please. Goa little West, Indian.

1700. P. F. to I.-Just a colory or two further West, Indian.

1750. P. F. to I.-Please stay on your side of the Catskill mountains, Indian.

1750. White man to Indian-Indian, your in the way. Go further West.

1795. Daniel Boone to Indian-Injun clar out of Kentucky.

1800. American Eagle to Indian-«No pent-up Utica contracts our power. The whole unbounded continent is ours." Injun, quit Ohio.

1820. A. E. to I.-Injun, step on the other side of the Mississippi. You're in the way of civilization and progress.

1840. A. E. to I.-Indian, get over the Rocky mountains. You're a nuisance."

1850. A. E. to I .- Injun, we want all the land. Why can't you quit being an Injun? Be a white man. Sell us the land fairly. Tangle it up with deeds, quit claims, mortgages, liens and all sorts of things, as we do. Injun, now do try and be civilized.

1860. A. E. to I.—Injun, your in the way everywhere. Do get cout. Go North. Go South. Go anywhere I Go to the Only. g0.

1870. A.E. on locomotive to Indian-Scat! place for you here anyway.

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savages in South Africa.