

NEWS OF ALL SORTS.

Professor King, who ascended in a balloon on Sunday from Scranton during a violent gale, landed in the afternoon in Montgomery county, Pa., seven or eight miles from Norristown. The balloon was a complete wreck, but King was unhurt.

The recent Estabrook at Birkenhead was very nearly made memorable by a terrible calamity. After one of the performances the floor of a ladies' cloak room gave way, and twenty women were precipitated to the ground. Fortunately no one was hurt, but the general alarm was very great.

W. L. Trumbull, of Mornington, Perth County, asserts that he was dragged on Friday night in a saloon near the Michigan Central Depot, Detroit, after which he was robbed of \$150. Moral—Keep away from saloons.

In Montreal, on Monday, Oct. 14th, the Grand Jury brought in true bills against David Grant, Fred. Hamilton, Ingram Lilburn, and other Orangemen, charged with unlawfully assembling on the 12th of July last.

At Coblenz and Saurlois the police recently prohibited smoking in the streets by youths under sixteen; and at Trevesen-law of 1875 has just been brought into force, which imposes a fine of from three to nine marks, or imprisonment in default, on boys under sixteen who smoke in the streets and in places of amusement.

We learn that Mr. Ward, who has conducted the *Dublin Review* with such signal philosophical and theological ability during the eventful period of the last fifteen years, is about to make over the proprietorship of this *Review* to the Bishop of Salford, and that he will retire from the editorship after the issue of the next October number. We understand that the *Dublin Review*, while still continuing to adhere to the principles which have animated it in the past, will undergo certain modifications with the object of giving it a somewhat more popular and wider interest. The duties of editor will be undertaken by the Right Rev. Bishop Hedley, O. S. B., with whose facile and scholarly pen many readers of the *Dublin Review* will be already familiar.

A young merchant going to Bologna, who did not know Turner even by name, has left the following sketch of him:—“I have fortunately met with a good-tempered, funny little elderly gentleman, who will probably be my companion throughout the journey. He is continually peeping his head out of the window to sketch whatever takes his fancy, and became quite angry because the conductor would not wait for him whilst he took a sunrise view of Macerata.” “—In the fellow,” says he, “he has no feeling.” He speaks but a few words of Italian, and as much French, which two languages he jumbles together most amusingly. His good temper, however, carries him through all his troubles. I am sure you would love him for his indefatigability in his favorite pursuit. From his conversation he is evidently near kin to, if not absolutely, an artist. Probably you may have known him. The name on his trunk is J. W. or J. M. W. Turner.”

The case of Isabel Grant, a woman condemned to death for stabbing her husband in a drunken quarrel, has excited much interest in England. The first appeal in her behalf was made by Frances Power Cobbe, and was followed by so strong a demonstration of public sympathy with the unfortunate prisoner that the Home Secretary sent her a reprieve almost at the foot of the gallows. There was no remission in her case, but she could probably have been hanged if attention had not been directed to the fact that the life of a man was spared who killed his wife in almost precisely similar circumstances a few years ago.

A young man left Paris a very few days back to visit his friends at Lyons, and as soon as he got into the carriage, lit a match by scratching it with his thumb-nail. The phosphorus penetrated under the nail and made a slight burn, to which he paid no attention. After an hour, however, the pain became very great, the thumb swelled, then the hand, and next the forearm. He was obliged to alight at the station and send for a medical man, who declared that instant amputation of the arm was necessary. The patient insisted upon postponing the operation for a few hours until the arrival of his father, for whom he had telegraphed. But, before the latter could reach the spot it was too late; the poisonous matter had gained the arm, then the shoulder, and any operation was therefore impossible. The young man died twenty-seven hours after the burn in terrible suffering.

A Chinaman working at a place in the Danubio district called Jeddo, found, on the 23rd of June, a nugget weighing 400 ounces, the unearthing of such a magnificent lump of gold drawing many miners to the ground; but the reports of the Government mining surveyors and registrars of the colony for the quarter ending the 31st of March show a continued decline in the quantity of gold raised. The quarter's yield is computed at 168,428 ounces, or nearly 14,000 ounces below the corresponding quarter of last year. The gold exported from Victoria in the first half of the year 1878 is stated at 160,143 ounces, or 74,970 ounces less than in the first half of last year.

The *Courier de Bayonne* relates a remarkable case of speedy restitution through the confessional. The facts which have been published in the *Bayonne*, are as follows:—“On Monday week M. Fernand Raoul-Duval, who stood as a candidate for a seat in the Chamber in opposition to M. Wilson, was robbed of a sum of money and other valuable property on the platform of the railway station at Bayonne, where he had alighted with his wife on their return from the bull-fights at St. Sebastian. M. Duval was not kept long out of possession of his goods, for, on the afternoon of the following Thursday, the Cure of Saint-Espirit forwarded to M. Salieres, Commissary of Police, a parcel containing 450 francs in gold, several gold pencil-cases, a costly brooch, and other valuables. These were the articles stolen from M. Duval; and their restitution established the innocence of three railway porters connected with the luggage department, who had been locked up on a charge of being concerned in the robbery.”

The Newmarket Fire Brigade having been recently supplied with a jumping fleet for use at fires, have been making some interesting experiments therewith. The sheet was placed beneath one of the Town Hall windows, sixteen feet in height. It is composed of strong canvas cloth, with ropes which can be held by sixteen men, to break the fall of a person jumping from a high elevation. Three firemen jumped several times from the window above mentioned, and were caught in the sheet without sustaining the slightest injury. The experiments were highly successful.

London Truth:—“What is wanted in the daily papers are more dry facts. As it is their facts are questionable, and the dreary comments which they inflict upon their readers respecting them in nine cases out of ten are unwieldy. To write a leading article is the easiest thing imaginable; to write a readable article is one of the most difficult.”

London Truth:—“Tourists are not likely to select Italy for a wintering country when they hear of highway robberies in the immediate neighborhood of Rome and in that delightful district round about the Bay of Naples. There have been similar occurrences near both Castellane and Salerno, and the excursion over the hills from Sorrento to Amalfi can hardly be undertaken without an escort. A feature in the present revival of brigandage is the frequent abductions.” O for regenerated Italy!

The Cretans and Turks are about coming to terms.

It is reported that Lady Dufferin will return to Canada with the Princess Louise.

Lord Dufferin will be entertained at a banquet at Belfast on his return to Ireland.

The Austrilians at Detroit scored 181 runs in one inning, the Peninsulars making 115 in two innings.

The Princess Alice relief fund at the Mansion House amounts now to upwards of £25,000.

Montreal city gas stock fell 13 per cent. on the announcement of the success of Edison's electric light.

Austria is said to have demanded a seat at the Cabinet meetings in Cairo, to protect Austrian interests in Egypt.

There is a panic in the Glasgow iron trade owing to reported failures. The price of iron had fallen at one time ten pence per ton.

The troublous state of affairs in the East has caused the proposed trip of a deputation of the British Cabinet to the Mediterranean to be abandoned.

It is reported from Vienna that the new Ottoman Ambassador has notified Andrássy that the Porte will be compelled to oppose by arms the Austrian advance on Novi Bazar.

It is reported that a rich field of coal has been discovered on the North Branch below Prince Albert. A thorough and exhaustive examination of the site is about to be made.

In Westmeath, a man named Thomas Nally, an egg dealer, died from a violent attack of small pox, which he caught in Killebeggan. It appears that Nally, who resides near Horsecamp, a village close to Killebeggan, was engaged in the latter town a fortnight since, and on his return home was seized with the epidemic. He lingered until Saturday, when he expired.

It is reported throughout Westmeath that Knockdrin Castle, the residence of Sir Richard Levisage, Bart., in the County Westmeath, is being prepared for the sojourn of the Duke of Marlborough during the winter months.

It is believed that the lovers of royalty will be fully gratified this year. It is said that the Duke of Connaught and the Empress of Austria intend residing in Ireland during the hunting season. It is also rumored the Prince Imperial will take up his residence in Meath.

From Galway I learn that the Rev. M. J. Geraghty, C. C., died on September 8th, at his father's house, Kilmore, in the 25th year of his age and second of his priestly ministry. The sincere and widespread sympathy entertained for his friends in their deep affliction was manifested by the large and respectable procession that accompanied his remains to the cathedral to testify their esteem for the departed by their presence at his obsequies. The solemn Office of the Dead, at which the Most Rev. Dr. Conboy presided, was chanted by the full choir of priests. Then followed the solemn Requiem Mass, Rev. J. J. Keane, A.D.M., being celebrant; Rev. P. McNulty, C. C., deacon; Rev. H. Conway, C. C., sub-deacon; and Rev. J. Conboy, master of Ceremonies; after which the remains of the young and holy priest were conveyed to the cathedral vault, and there laid to await a glorious resurrection.

In Meath the annual horse show was held at Navan, on September 10th, in the Barrack square. This show, which is kept up by the energy of the gentlemen of the county, has been steadily improving each year, both in respect to the number and quality of the animals exhibited, and has given a considerable stimulus to the breeding of horses in Meath. The number of entries was 200, as against 176 in the previous year. The most marked improvement was manifested in all classes.

A WEALTHY CRICKET CLUB.

The grounds of the Australian cricket club, comprising thirteen acres, were given to them by the Government of that colony some twenty years ago, free of taxes for ever, together with the sum of £5,000 sterling, to be laid out in making the grounds and as a building fund. This formed the nucleus of a club and grounds round which all that is wealthy and fashionable in Melbourne has gathered, so that at the present time the club has a membership of more than 1,500, paying an annual fee of four guineas, to which may be added the Governor's annual donation of twenty-five guineas, making a total yearly income from members' fees alone of over £9,000 sterling (say \$39,000). The ground, as observed before, comprises thirteen acres, around three sides of which a beautifully sloping grass terrace runs, twenty yards wide, on which elm trees have been planted at distances sufficient to allow their boughs to interlace; seats on this terrace are so arranged that five thousand persons can sit entirely in the shade to witness a match with the greatest ease and comfort. They have a pavilion erected at a cost of seven thousand guineas, bath rooms, racquet court, refreshment rooms for ladies and gentlemen, whilst portions of the field are reserved for archery, lawn tennis, croquet, &c. On special occasions the attendance of visitors has reached as high as twenty-five thousand.

STRATFORD ITEMS.

A CRUELTY.—Mr. Alex. Macgregor has shown the *Local Reporter* some ripe strawberries, picked from plants in his garden during the past week. They appear to be of the *Jocunda* variety, and are large, well-formed berries. The same plants are freely blossoming, and forming other young fruit. A very unusual circumstance.

ACCIDENT.—On Saturday afternoon, Mr. John Beattie, of Downie, was driving home from Stratford, and when opposite Mr. Humphrey's shop on Horton street, one of the whiffletrees became detached, the horses started and he was thrown out of the wagon. One of the wheels passed over his head. He was taken up insensible, and for some time it was feared he was fatally injured, but he is now in a fair way of recovery.

RIGHT OF WAY.—On Friday, Edward McAleer, of Downie, was driving on the St. Mary's road, along with Patrick Kane. A little way from Chown's hotel, he met Daniel Macnamara, who according to his story, did not turn out of the way sufficiently, and in consequence the vehicles collided, and McAleer's buggy was smashed. The parties were before the Police Magistrate, who fined Macnamara \$1 and cost—\$7.50 in all.

SENSIBLE.—Rev. Leonard Gaetz, of Hamilton, takes a practical, common-sense view of advertising. On Sunday last he stated in his pulpit, that in view of the fact that there were daily newspapers circulated in the city, reaching all classes of the community, he would not in future make any pulpit announcement of a secular character, other than those having direct connection with the legitimate working of the church. It was a very sensible announcement.

The death is announced at Buxton of Sir George Conway Colclough, of the Castle, Blarney, who at one time represented the borough of Kinsale as a Liberal-Conservative. He is succeeded by his son, George St. John Colclough.

SCISSOROLOGY.

Being a Choice Selection from the Cream of our Exchanges.

—The position of foreman machinist at the G. W. H. Car Shops, London, vacated by the retirement of Mr. Ridley, is to be filled by a Hamilton man.

—Mr. Adam Wheaton, Gore of London, from one vine picked four citrons, 19½ lbs., 18½ lbs., and 12 lbs., three weighing 57 lbs.

—Messrs. Manville & Brown have taken the vacant store under the Mechanics' Hall, and will in a few days remove their business there.

—Jesse Shaver, lot 17, 3rd con., Westminster, has a novelty in the shape of a young apple tree which bore fruit this season, and blossomed for the second time last Sunday.

—Says the *Pilot*, it is now publicly stated by Mary Anderson and her advertisers that she is an Irish-American. We knew it would “pay” sometime in America to make this admission.

—Hon. Jno. O'Connor has been requested to accept a seat in the new Cabinet, and, of course, will accept. In spite of the cry regarding Irish Catholic representation it looks as if they were to be worse off than with Mr. Mackenzie, who gave them the Speakership and Secretary of State.

—A “high-toned” London, Eng. tailor, has sent to all the Mayors of Canada a circular stating that “as the Marquis of Lorne is about coming to your (this) country, the Mayors of the different towns will, no doubt, wish to obtain a complete outfit, with insignia of office, sword,” &c., and goes on to state that for so much the same will be supplied. Fancy seeing the Mayors of the different towns of Canada wearing a sword, cocked hat, laced coat, knee-breeches, &c., &c.

—A young man named Patrick O'Hara died in Belleville on Tuesday, from lockjaw. The poor fellow, in going from his work on election day to cast his vote, stepped on a nail in the sidewalk, which ran into his head. It was very sore for a time, and then seemed to get a little better, but he was prostrated on Saturday last with lockjaw, from which he suffered fearfully until the time of his death.

—The subscription to obtain an annuity for Signor Mario, which is now being organized in England, has reminded some of the French papers that the sufferers by the accident to the Princess Alice have never been helped by the money of France. They remark that when inundations, war, or any other calamity takes place in France, the English press is always ready to advertise the results; but that the sympathy of the French nation is generally confined to words and newspaper paragraphs.

—As we grow older our ideas of age strangely change. To the girl in her teens, the ripe maiden of twenty-five seems quite aged. Twenty-two seems thirty-five, “an old thing.” And thirty-five seems fifty, but congratulates herself that there may still remain some ground to be possessed in the fifteen years before the half century is attained. But fifty does not by any means give up the battle of life. It feels middle-aged and vigorous, and thinks old age a long way in the future. Sixty remembers those who have done great things at threescore. It is the desire of life within us which makes us feel young or old.

The scientific world is probably under the impression that the telephone is the highest form of sound conveyance which has been imagined up to the present moment; but I was present to-day at an experiment made by M. de Moncel, a member of the institute. The lecturer proposed some tin foil between the leaves of a copybook; and having joined it to a telephone in another room caused the music of several airs to come out of the paper. The experiment went to prove that the invention is only in its infancy, and that sound will certainly form an important element in the inventions of the future.

—A “lark” of a rather curious kind was played out at the Lambeth police-court yesterday. Wm. Blagburn, a young man, had been arrested as a deserter from the Coldstream guards, when he pleaded that he had changed clothes with a man who ran away on the appearance of a constable. This was shown to be true by a sergeant who identified the clothes, and could not recognize the prisoner. In answer to the plea of a “lark,” Mr. Chance said the accused was liable to 100, penalty for every day he wore the military uniform. He had “put himself into the lion's skin,” and must now give up the clothes to the sergeant. Here a difficulty arose, for the prisoners said he had no other clothes, and all the money he had was in the pockets of the clothes with which the man had decamped. As the military law is inexorable, the foolish victim of this “lark” only obtained his liberty on giving up his borrowed uniform and accepting a workhouse suit. It will be a lesson to him not to play a “lark” with a soldier again.

At Hamilton, Ohio, on Friday evening, when Prof. Charles Donnelly, the “Lion King” connected with Pullman & Hamilton's Great London Museum, was going through with his usual performance in the den of performing lions, he was attacked by one of the largest of the four African lions, the lion striking him a terrible blow in the breast with his paw and knocking him down, and severely lacerating him in his hips and thighs, and dangerously injuring him otherwise. Through his great courage and presence of mind, and with the aid of two men who came to his assistance with spears on each side of the cage, he managed to beat his way outside of his cage. He is lying under the care of several physicians in a dangerous condition.

—Some time between Saturday evening and Sunday morning, a robbery was committed in the American House block, in Windsor, was entered by burglars and about \$125 worth of jewelry was taken, the thieves leaving nothing in the show case except a few cheap sleeve buttons. All of the watches and expensive goods were in the safe, and were consequently not disturbed. The dry goods house of St. Louis & Barker, situated on the opposite side of Sandwich street, was also entered and a quantity of silk stolen. It is supposed that both robberies were committed by the same gang, as in each instance an entry was effected by cutting out a pane of glass with a diamond.

Brighton, England, has been startled by the apparition of a man mounted on a bicycle of colossal dimensions, who glides along on a level with the tops of the lamp posts, towering above the height of ordinary carriages. The driving wheel of this machine is nearly eight feet in height, so that the rider's head is some twelve feet from the ground. The courage required to mount on the top of a wheel of this height was only outdone by the dexterity with which the machine was guided and the velocity attained. A champion bicyclist ventured to try a ride on this monster, and found it necessary to cling ignominiously to a lamp post in order to dismount. A man of ordinary size is enabled to ride this bicycle by means of a secondary treadle placed above the usual crank, and connected by a rod, the action or stroke being what is termed reciprocatory. The wheel is 260 inches in circumference.

OUR SPECIAL IRISH CORRESPONDENCE.

ITEMISED NEWS FROM THE EMERALD ISLE, COMPILED EXPRESSLY FOR THE CATHOLIC RECORD.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

Dublin, Oct. 5, 1878.

Though it is a sad subject to write about, it affords me pleasure, however, to be able to inform you that the unparalleled sufferings of the plague-stricken people of America have aroused the generous sympathy of the Irish people. As we read the awful descriptions of desolation and death, and the harrowing details connected therewith, it recalls to our minds the horrors of the famine of 48, and arouses our most graphic impulses. A correspondent of the *Irishman* asks that a meeting be called to raise subscriptions, and adds: “Surely we Irish are not so ungrateful as to forget what America did for us in our hour of trial—when her dollars and cargoes of meat were far in excess of the grant of our ‘paternal Government,’ which was distributed among hungry officials, but never reached the poor peasants. Not so with the dollars, which went direct to the mud-wall cabins and saved thousands from starvation and coffinless graves.”

In Antrim, notwithstanding its northern latitude, the charity of the people seems to be as warm as in more southern regions, as on September 5th a charity sermon was preached in Saintfield Church, by the Very Rev. George Pye, P. P. of Glenavy. The object was to raise funds to help to pay off a debt due for improvements on the church, parochial house and schools. Mass was sung by the Rev. J. Crickard, P. P., Loughland, and the responses and music were rendered by an efficient choir. After an excellent sermon by the Rev. Mr. Pye, a collection was taken up, and £84 was received. This sum, added to £84 already subscribed, makes a total of £168.

In Clare there has been quite a commotion caused by a deserter, branded “B. C.,” arrested at Kilmish on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences; and, on being searched, it is stated that papers of a most compromising character were found on him. It is stated that he will be charged with the murder of Lord Leitrim. Great excitement prevails in the district.

From Carlaw I learn that on Sept. 8th, the land left Hacketstown for Rathvilly. The members were dressed in uniforms emblematical of the land of their birth. The land passed through Kiltegan, and proceeded through Red Wells to that home of music, Rathvilly. All along the road the land was greeted with hearty plaudits at each stage of its performance. On the return the musicians were heartily greeted by the inhabitants of Knocklishan and Ballykillane, &c., for the manner in which they rendered the national and patriotic airs of the land that gave them birth.

In Dublin rumors are afloat that the Duke of Connaught will, before very much longer, be appointed Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, and that the announcement may be looked for shortly after he is married. How much truth there may be in these reports it is difficult to conjecture. His Royal Highness's nomination would give him and his bride a Royal Court, an easy round of duties, and a salary of £2,220 a year. Such an appointment seems not improbable after the selection of the Marquis of Lorne and the Princess Louise to ascend the peerageal dais in Canada.

There seems to be trouble among the Home Rulers, and a meeting of the London Home Rule Association will take place shortly. The association is divided on the question of the Balfour controversy. At the meeting the sections will sustain their respective leaders. It is stated that a third section intends to run Mr. O'Connor Power for party leader.

The detailed agricultural returns are now published for Ireland for the year, showing that one-third of the whole cultivated land is in pasture, and that wheat cultivation has been substituted very considerably this year for that of oats. Hay has yielded two-fifths of a ton more, and is the best of Irish crops. In 1877 the yield of all the crops was from two to three per cent. below the previous year. In round numbers there are 4,000,000 head of cattle in Ireland, and about the same of sheep. The returns of emigrants from Liverpool for August show a continued increase in the number of departures for the United States and other fields of labor. Seventy-seven ships sailed, having on board 9,495 emigrants, whose destination is thus given: United States, 7,584; British North America, 1,641; Australia, 98; South America, 83; East Indies, 46; West Indies, 11; China, 9; and the Coast of Africa, 33. The nationalities of the emigrants, so far as could be ascertained, were—Irish, 786; English, 5,834; Scotch, 114, and foreigners, 2,691. Of 670 emigrants the nationality was not given. In August last year the departures from the Mersey were—7,266, so that the month just ended shows an increase of 2,229. During the present year no fewer than 48,333 emigrants have sailed from Liverpool for various countries, principally the United States and Canada, of whom 5,484 have been Irish. The departures of these each month were—January, 2,477; February, 2,911; March, 5,416; April, 1,092; May, 1,290; June, 794; July, 637, and August, 786. Total, 28,484.

The following gentlemen have been appointed to the Commission of the Peace—County Carlow—Walter McMurrough Kavanagh, Borri House, Borris, Esq. County Antrim—Mark Francis Wilson, Drumahaire, Esq. County Meath—Richard Graham Kellott, Barley Hill, Kingscourt, Esq. County Kerry—Samuel Francis Dowley, Mount Briscoe, Philipstown, Esq.

Kildare mourns the loss of Rev. Daniel Carroll, P. P., who died at the parochial house, Dunamaggin, Aug. 6th. Father Carroll was ordained priest in 1846, his first mission being in the diocese of Kildare and Leighlin. Father Carroll was appointed to the pastoral care of his late parish about eight years ago, during which time he left nothing undone to promote the moral and material welfare of his parishioners. It is most honorable to his memory to state that wherever he went the education of youth was one of his principal aims. He died at the comparatively early age of 66 years. It is supposed that over-exercising hastened his much lamented end, which pressed most heavily on the poor, to whom his purse was open. The Office and High Mass for the repose of his soul took place on the 28th, at which the Very Rev. Dean McDonald presided, in the unavoidable absence of the Most Rev. Dr. Moran, Bishop of Ossory; celebrant, Rev. J. Carroll, C. C., Windgap, deacon, Rev. P. Aylward, C. C., St. Patrick's, sub-deacon, M. R. Keble, C. C., Kells. And Kerry wishes a hearty Godspeed to Father Thomas Finn, of Tralee, who was lately ordained by the Bishop of Cloyne, left his native town on Sunday week for the scene of his future labors in Australia.

In the King's County on September 7th a solemn High Mass was celebrated in St. Rensh's Banagher, on the occasion of the opening of the new altar, which the energy of the Rev. Kieran Egan, P. P., has added to the beauties of the church, and the ceremony was rendered more interesting by an elo-

quent sermon from a distinguished member of the Jesuit Order, the Rev. Joseph Clerly. The high altar, which is the gift of Sir George Penrose, of Cork, is a magnificent combination of red Cork and Sicilian marble, beautifully blended and carved. The side altars are the gift of James Nevin, Esq., Banagher, and are both works of art. The communion rails are of worked iron, representing a vine branch, beautifully executed, and surmounted with substantial stained pitch pine coping. The stained-glass windows are by Meyer of Munich, the donor being Mr. William Hammon, Banagher. The magnificent clock which ornaments the tower and spire, by Mr. Dobbin, Dublin, and was erected by public subscription, Protestants and Catholics alike contributing. The tower and spire, recently erected at a cost of £1,200, are of Gothic design, and testify in a marked degree the religious zeal which prevails the well-disposed Catholics of Banagher and neighborhood. The entrance and windows are of handsome cut-stone surmounted by a gilt cross. The interior of the church has recently undergone considerable renovation, and can boast of much harmony and beauty in all its proportions. At the celebration of the High Mass, which commenced at 12 o'clock, the Rev. E. O'Reilly, C. C., was celebrant; deacon, Rev. Mr. Byrne, Eyecourt; sub-deacon, Rev. F. Coney-frey, St. Mary's, Longford; master of ceremonies, Rev. James O'Farrell, C. C., Banagher. At the conclusion a subscription was taken up and a handsome sum realized. The music of the Mass was rendered effectively by the local choir assisted by a local brass band. In the evening there was a grand procession around the church, after which vesper and another sermon was given. The evening ceremony concluded by the Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

Leitrim has a case of ejection and forcible possession, and intense excitement exists in and about Milford in consequence of the summary ejection of the Widow Algeo and her two sons from the house and farm at Burlin, near Milford, from which she was ejected two years ago by the late Mr. Leitrim, and of which she took forcible possession on the 5th inst. On Tuesday evening Captain Dopping, agent to the Earl of Leitrim, accompanied by several bailiffs, proceeded to the house reoccupied by Mrs. Algeo and her two sons, when a bailiff named Harrison broke open the door with a crow-bar. A rush was made into the house by the bailiffs in a body. They were opposed by the brothers Algeo, who struck the bailiffs on entering, but after a desperate, well-sustained and determined resistance, they were overpowered, and along with their mother ejected from the house, which remains in occupation of several bailiffs, well armed. Robert and John Algeo were arrested by the police, several of whom were present, and were brought before the magistrates at Milford petty sessions Thursday, and committed for trial. When the case came up before Capt. Peel, R. M., at the Milford petty sessions, Robert Algeo was ordered to be imprisoned for a month for the assault on Captain Dopping, and fined 10s. for assaulting Harrison, and John Algeo was fined 10s. for assaulting Harrison. The month's imprisonment was changed to a fine afterwards, the brothers undertaking that they and their mother would give no further trouble in reference to the house and farm. The fine was paid.

At Limerick, on September 12th, the completion of the tower and spire of the Redemptorist Church, erected at the cost of Alderman Quinn, was celebrated by a procession with suitable vocal and instrumental music, during which a cross of colossal proportions was erected on the tower. There was a large attendance of the citizens and others. A peal of bells is being cast by a well-known Dublin house, which, when placed, will make the structure and its claims cost the Alderman something very close upon £12,000.

Three candidates have been nominated for the Irish Home Rule in the room of the late Mr. Michael Ryan, T. C. The names of the candidates are Mr. John Nolan, William street, Mr. Ryan (son of the deceased); and Mr. L. O'Meara, commission agent. Reports from Mayo chronicle the arrival in Castlebar of the Rev. Joseph McMahon, pastor of St. Mary's Church, Dubut, U. S. A., on a visit to his father, Mr. Edward McMahon, T. C., who is now fifteen years since Father McMahon (then an ecclesiastical student) left his native town.

An election for Westport was held on Sept. 12th, at the Harbor Office. Messrs. Patrick O'Dowd, George P. Louden, Mr. Francis Molloy, and Mr. Wm. Livingston, were re-elected without opposition.

A Queen's County report says:—Consequent upon the Government's determination to discontinue Spike Island, Cork Harbor, as a great central prison for convicts, and of which it is about being turned into account for naval purposes, some of the more fitting prisons throughout the country are about being made convict depots, and arranged like that of Maryborough. Two drafts of convicts, one numbering 24, and the other 22, and accompanied by their own wardens from Spike Island, have arrived there and have been lodged in jail, where there is ample room for them. The state of crime in the Queen's County being fortunately so low, that the number of local prisoners is small. The prison there, from its style of building and good healthy situation, has been reported favorably on by the Government Inspector, and it is rumored that it is intended to increase its size for the further accommodation of convicts, and some soldiers who will be also drafted into the military barracks.

The wife of Mr. Ivory, residing near Kildare, has, within the last eleven months given birth to five children, four girls and a boy. Early in the month of October last she presented him with twins, two girls, and a few days ago she gave birth to three children, two girls and a boy—all of whom are alive, and, if report speak truly, are doing well.

Roscommon has been marching her constabulary around, whether for the benefit of their health or for the safety of the public peace I cannot say.

The following transfers, &c., have taken place in the counties of Galway and Roscommon:—Sub-constable Brennan has been transferred from Laurencetown to Kiltormer (in the Ballinasloe district); Sub-constable McColgan has been transferred from Clonmark, county Roscommon, to Croghan, in Boyle district of same county; Sub-constable Bennett has been transferred from Tulsk (in Strokestown district) to Roscommon; Sub-constable Vaughan has been transferred from Culligh (in Strokestown district) to Tulsk, in Strokestown district; Sub-constable Daly has been transferred from Monieva to Roscommon, county Galway; Sub-constable Donavan has been transferred from Monieva to Derrybrien.

The Wexford United Agricultural Society's annual show took place at the large field in George's street, Wexford, on Sept. 10th, under favorable auspices. The weather was fine, the attendance, both of ladies and gentlemen, far exceeded that of former years. The entries of horses were far in advance of last year, whilst the character of the stock fully maintained the prestige of the model county, and the enterprising gentlemen who have devoted their time, talent and capital to bringing their herds to the perfection which Wexford has exhibited in many a closely fought contest in this and the sister county. The Wexford Militia Band was in attendance, and played numerous select airs during the day. Lord Waterford acted as judge in the horse section, assisted by Messrs. Murrough (late Master of the Ward Hounds), and S. Furnoy, stewards. Colonel Fisher, Castle Grogan and Mr. C. G. Grey judged the cattle and sheep.

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