

General Intelligence.

CONVERSIONS.

THE REV. R. W. SIBTHORPE.—With the highest gratitude and thankfulness to Almighty God, we announce the reconciliation of Mr. Sibthorpe to the communion of the Catholic Church. This event, we need not add, does not involve his restoration to the exercise of the sacred ministry, from which the discipline of the Church not less than his own good feeling, will suggest and demand that he should be precluded, at least for a length of time.—*Tablet.*

Samuel Francis Reader, Esq., was publicly baptised in the Catholic Chapel at Falmouth on Sunday last with all the ceremonies of the Church.—*Id.*

RELIEF COMMISSION.—The Report of the Commissioners has been published. To give a notion of their labours, it may be stated that the relief documents of one sort or other, comprised upwards of 10,000 books, 80,000 sheets, and 3,000,000 card tickets, and weighed not less than fourteen tons!

THE CONVICT'S MITE FOR THE RELIEF OF IRELAND.—The convicts of the warrior hulk, at Woolwich, begged to be allowed to contribute something in aid of the distress. The amount subscribed was seventeen shillings, which has been duly forwarded.

FAMINE RELIEF FUND.—On Friday the Committee of the British Association for the Relief of the Distress in Ireland and Scotland, made a Report of the sums received by them, which amounts to £315,000 of which £165,000 has been received from the Secretary of State for the Home Department, being part of a collection under the Queen's letter. Amongst the donations received during the past week are liberal sums from Nova Scotia, Guiana, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, the Hague, and from the Dutch and English gentlemen at Rotterdam.—*Frieman.*

FAMINE IN THE SOUTH.—The Cork Reporter of the 22nd contains most appalling accounts of the progress of famine in that city, and generally throughout the County of Cork. It is asserted that "a conspiracy has been entered into amongst the owners and representatives of landed and other property in the southwest of Cork county against the very existence of the labouring classes, inasmuch as they will neither allow their admission to

the workhouse, collect a rate for their support, employ them extensively, nor carry into effect the temporary Relief Act." Under such circumstances meetings have been held to entreat the Government not to stop the public works, until, at least, the new relief measures shall be in operation.—Destitution and death from starvation are still increasing in Cork, pestilence is spreading, and that city is crowded with paupers from the rural districts.

TIME.—Time is like a creditor who allows an ample space to make up accounts; but is inexorable at last. Time is like a verb that can only be used in the present tense. Time well employed gives that health and vigor to the soul which rest and retirement afford to the body. Time never sits heavily on us, but when it is badly employed. Time is a grateful friend; use it well, and it never fails to make a suitable requital.

Self-deception leads us to consider sin as a trifle and a mere weakness of human nature. Self-deception induces us to be partial and blind to those faults of our own, which we are ever ready to condemn and punish in others. Self-deception inculcates the false idea that sin hath no growth, and that we never can commit crimes of great consequence—an opinion held at one time by great criminals. Self-deception produces procrastination of our repentance, whispering, " 'tis time enough when you are older." Self-deception will encourage a dependance on our own strength. Self-deception blunts a prickling conscience, and tells us it is very easy to turn to God. Self-deception often whispers peace, where there is no peace. Self-deception nurses pride, and starves humility.

INTERMENTS.

AT THE CEMETERY OF THE HOLY CROSS

- MAY 21—Bridget Maher, Native of Ireland, aged 18 years.
 25—Mary, Wife of John Hollahan, Native of the County Kerry, Ireland, aged 24 years.
 26—Bridget, Infant Daughter of Patrick and Johanna aged 3 months.
 27—Mary, Daughter of Roger and Ellen Sullivan aged 6 years and 8 months.

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