

as unprofitable; the distorted mind may continue to the last eagerly pursuing its perverted speculations, while it is departing further and further from the truth; and the vitiated and corrupted mind may continue to the last the slave of its impure and degrading passions. Such is the power and such the result of mental habits; and let us ever bear in mind, how such habits are formed. They arise out of individual acts of the mind; and we have not the means of determining what number of such acts are necessary for forming the habits, and at what period they shall gain a mastery, which shall perit the highest interests of the soul. We cannot determine how many acts of frivolity may constitute the permanently frivolous mind; how many trains of impurity may constitute the permanently corrupted mind; or what degrees of inattention to the diligent culture of the powers within may be fatal to the best interests of the man, both as an intellectual and a moral being. Hence the supreme importance of cultivating in early life the mastery of the mind, and of watching with earnest attention the trains of thought which we encourage there; as we cannot determine at what period a habit may be formed, the influence of which shall be permanent and irremediable.—*Abercrombie.*

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

LATEST FROM EUROPE.

IRELAND AND REPEAL.—Ireland absorbs, at the present moment, the exclusive attention of the British Ministry and the British people. The Repeal movement continues to make the most gigantic strides; the whole country is in a fearful state of excitement, and Mr. O'Connell, after visiting Cork and various other parts of Ireland, has returned to Dublin. During his sojourn in the provinces, hundreds of thousands congregated at his back. He addressed them on every occasion in a strain condemnatory of the British connexion, while he poured out the most unmeasured vituperation and ridicule against Sir Robert Peel, the Duke of Wellington, and Lord Brougham. The great bulk of the Catholic clergy have thrown themselves into the movement, and all classes seem to regard a crisis at hand. Troops are daily pouring into the country. Government steamers are constantly engaged between the Tower of London and Pigeon-House, Dublin, in carrying and landing arms; the Castle in the latter city is being placed in a state of defence; and every thing shows that the Government anticipates an immediate outbreak.

Some Roman Catholic Bishops are about to prepare a prayer for the safety of Daniel O'Connell.

The troops now stationed in Ireland amount to about 25,000 men.

Almost every door in the city of Cork has chalked upon it, "Repeal or Blood!"

The repeal of the Union agitation has reached Manchester, where there are 50,000 Irish, who have formed themselves into societies, and declared that they will not deal with either publican or shopkeeper who will not contribute to further "repeal." Thus considerable sums have been raised and sent over to Ireland.

Dr. Murray, the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Dublin, has published a letter, disclaiming having taken any part in the repeal movement, such as has been ascribed to the whole of his brethren by Dr. Higgins.

All the Irish forts, castles, and battlements have been inspected by a government engineer, and ordered to be repaired and placed in a state of perfect utility. Indeed, the preparations of government are such as would indicate that a civil war is not far distant.

The latest Irish papers contain an account of a *meece* between a party of Orangemen and a body of Repealers, at Dungannon, on the 30th of May. A house was razed and many persons beaten, but no lives were lost.

The Riband System has latterly been spreading to a great extent in parts of the countries of Dublin, Meath, Longford, Cavan, and Monaghan. The Government, in consequence of information received, has instituted inquiries in various localities as to the progress of the system.

The total number of Magistrates, says the Dublin Post, superseded, on account of mixing with the repeal agitation, is thirteen. Mr. O'Connell read for the meeting the correspondence with the Chancellor, which preceded his dismissal from

the magisterial bench. Mr. O'Connell has announced to Sir Edward Sugden his determination to impeach him thereupon—in the Irish parliament.

Mr. O'Connell is on a visit to several large towns in Ireland. He was escorted by one hundred thousand persons in a triumphal march of twenty miles, for the North Riding of Tipperary—where he addressed a meeting of 350,000 persons!

The London Morning Post states that Government have issued tenders for the immediate supply of ten thousand sets of Infantry accoutrements and that 'this has not been usual since the hottest period of war.'

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