

the guidance, and the protection of those who, born in an humble sphere, look up to him with respect ; and being not only depressed but degraded by the social influences peculiar to their own class, seek a position in which their industry may be encouraged by hope, and not damped, as at present, by despair.

For these reasons I venture to suggest what I consider an improvement upon the plan proposed by the Memorialists, of forming a new Ireland, under the sole guidance of the Roman Catholic clergy.

From the writings of recent authors on the subject of America, we know the feeling which exists as to the lower class of Irish, and the causes which have given rise to them. The Memorialists depend upon the sole influence of the Roman Catholic clergy to overcome this objection ; but I feel assured that all military men will agree in the opinion that the good qualities of the Irish character are developed, and more rapidly brought out, by military organization--the reliance upon, and duties towards, military superiors, than by any other influence.

Colonization, as regards the native Irish population, should be of a feudal character. In Ireland nothing is more remarkable than feudal respect and attachment, and nothing better understood than military rank ; and I am inclined to think that by giving militia rank to the gentry, in proportion to the number of families they took out,