One Corpus Christi.

"Flowers? Are they for a bride?" he said.
And wondered if that graceful head,
Not bent to catch the soft perfume,
Was soon to wear their tender bloom;
But when she raised her modest eyes,
And answered him in half surprise,
"No, they are for Our Lord," he smiled,
And thought: "This is indeed a child."

"Give me the lovellest," she said,
"Delicate, white, and rosy red,
And heliotrope and mignonette,
All that you know and I forget;
And heap these crimson roses so—
yes, they are costly, that I know;
But what can be too fair or sweet
To strew beneath His sacred feet?"

The light was fading; broken flowers Lay scattered through the aistes in showers For all their fragrant wealth that day Had marked the Master's glorious way; And now, before the altar rail, A girl knelt, notionless and pale.

A line of sunlight touched her hair, Her s ender hands we e clasped i prayer: In silent blies the moments passed, For she had lingered to the last, Unconscious, in that ho y spot, Of eyes that watened and wearied not,

How beautiful!—the whispered thought, All human, a l of earth, she caught; And, reading what that thought expressed By the one key-note in her breast, Uplifting her adoring head, "Is He not beautifue?" she said.

A thrill of awe, a flush of shame, He knelt and named the Saviour's name. Sorfly she glided from the place. He never looked upo, her face; Low bent to earth his suppliant head, "O Lord! make me a child," he said,

Bazaar Journal.

NEWS FROM IRELAND.

DUBLIN.

While some workmen in the employment of Messrs. Wardrop & Sons were recently excavating in a field adjoining Seaview-terrace, Donnybrook, for the purposal of laying the foundation of some buildings now in progress, they came across a large quantity of human skeletons, most of them in a perfect state of preservation. Besides the skeletons of preservation. Besides the skeletons were found a two-edged sword and two daggers thickly corroded with rust, but of daggers thickly corroded with rust, but of very antiquated workmanship. Some coins were also discovered, probably of copper, but with the date and impressions wholly obliterated. Since the discovery of the remains on Sept. 27th, fully eight and days of howevery the property of the remains on the control to the control t cartloads of bones have been removed for a quarrel. George drew a penkrife and interment; and where the men are still stabbed his brother several times before he excavating the ground is thickly inter-spersed with human remains. The field is the property of the Earl of Pembroke. On Oct. 5th, at Clontarf, a young man named John Thomas, who, it appeared

was subject to sudden paroxysms of frenzy, committed suicide by cutting his threat. Mr. Thomas, who had been rethroat. Mr. Thomas, who had been residing at Kings-court-terrace, Clontarf, for the past three months, with two sisters, a brother, and a brother-in-law, was engaged as book-keeper in the chandlery establishment of his sister at Leinster stroct. Some three years ago he returned from America, where his wife remained behind him, where, it is believed, the deceased was attacked with sunstroke.

Iron Ins residence. Dr. Hamilton, surgeon throat live he hospital, was at once sent for, and he stanched and dressed the wounds. The police were apprised of the unfortunate occurrence, and shortly afterwards arrested George and lodged him in jail. The father of the two men is alive, and it is said that very bad feeling existed between them arising out of rival claims as to which should inherit the house and garden, which is a freehold, and this stroke.

convent is to be erected is portion of the estate of the Earl of Carysfort, and has been generously granted by that nobleman to the Rev. James Dunphy, the present parish priest of the town. The site selected is a very suitable one, as the new building will be between Marlborough Hall and the present church, which is a very fine species. which is a very fine specimen of the Gracco-Roman order of architecture. The new convent, when finished, will command a magnificent view of the sea, which appears in the immediate vicinity. It is on the principal approach from the railway station to the town. The style of architecture of the new building will be railway station to the town. The style of architecture of the new building will be in keeping with that of the church, and nsions of the main building will be 100 feet by 80, with two interals of eighty feet each, and will accommodate from twenty-five to thirty nuns. The present contemplated expenditure will be somewhere about £2.500: but the building when entirely completed, will cost about £4,000. Of this amount there are only £700 in hand, £500 of which were realized from the bazaar held in the town in June last, and £100 left under the will of the late Mr. Thos. Hannigan.

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

Mr. Winder, of Armagh, agent to the late Sir Capal Molyneux, Bart, met the tenants of the Kinnefadd estate, at Eden derry, on Oct. 7th, and voluntarily made announcement—that in consequence of the general depression, coupled with the bad season, he was instructed to of the general depression, coupled with the bad season, he was instructed to allow them a reduction of 15 per cent. on the gale due the 1st of last May (which he came to collect), that he would leave the hanging half-year, due in a few days, uncollected; and, further, that he would demand no rent whatever till 1st May, 1880.

LOUTH.

On Oct. 7th, an old man named Conlar a herd in the employment of Mr. Halfpenny, Riverstown, county Louth, was accidentally killed. The deceased was sleeping upon a loft, which was approached by a steep ladder, and in the darkness of the morning he missed his footing and fell down.
On Oct. 18th, at Carlingford, a sailor

named Thomas Fitzgerald, a native of Rush, County Dubhn, was drowned while getting on board his vessel, the fishing smack Elizabeth.

parliamentary. Words grew hot a differee on both sides, when Mr. McMahon made an observation, to which Mr. Callan re-lied by striking him a blow with his clenched fiston the cheek. Mr. McMahon rushed at his assailant, and sought to throw him to the ground. A crowd pressed forward, and the bell commenced to ring for the starting of the train to Dublin. In the midst of the noise and confusion the two combatants rushed off to secure their seats. The affair caused to secure their seats. The affair caused

LONGFORD.

On Oct. 6th, a rick of hay, belonging to Mr. Carty, Longford, owner of large house property, was maliciously burned. Two large ricks of hay were adjacent, and also several houses, which were in danger for some time.

A caretaker of Mr. Pelham Mayne has

received a letter, in which he was threat-ened with being shot if he interfered with the crop on some lands. A man named Michael Hunt has been arrested by Mr. Triscott, S.I., Ballymahon, on suspicion of having written the letter.

MEATH.

On Oct. 4th, two inhabitants of Kells, Dr. James Cahill and John Connell, ten-ants on the Meath estate of Lord Head ants on the Meath estate of Lord Head fort, each received letters threatening them with serious results should the or their friends attend the meetings of tenants to be held at Virginia and Kells, for the purpose of expressing sympathy with Lord Headfort and his agent (Mr. O'Connor), who had received letters threatening them with death unless a reduction of rent be granted on the estate. The letters also granted on the estate. The letters also cautioned them against taking such steps as might lead to the discovery of the writer of the threatening letters. The envelopes had the "Westport" post-office stamp on them.

on Oct. 4th, two young men, brothers, named Patrick Casey and George Casey, who are in the employment of Messrs. J. and V. Clayton, at their woollen factory at Milbrook, were at their residence, Academy street, Navan. It appears that Patrick was engaged in some trufling occupation in a small garden attached to his residence, and that some angry words passed between the brothers, resulting in a quarrel. George drew a penkrife and stabled his brothers several times before he could prevent him. The stabs were in-flicted on the side, back and neck, and might haved proved fatal. Patrick, find-ing himself seriously wounded, was able to make his way to the County Infirmary, which is only about twenty perches distant from his residence. Dr. Hamilton, surgeon to which should inherit the house and garden, which is a freehold, and this unfortuate feeling led to the occurrence.

On Oct. 10th, a man named Crean, from Camp, was drowned at Blennerville Bridge. It appears that while seated on the wall of the bridge a companion called to him, and when he turned round to answer he lost his balance, and fell into the water.

TIPPERARY.

On October 9th, at the Presentation Convent, Thurles, his Grace the Archbishop of Cashel and Emly, assisted by the Very Rev. A. Scully and Rev. W. Jones, St. Patrick's College, officiated at the solemn ceremony of religious reception and pro-fession. Miss Agnes Harbison, in religion Sister Mary Agnes, daughter of John Harbison, Esq., Cookstown, county Tyrone, was received; and Miss Mary Hogan, in religion Sister M. Bernard, daughter of James Hogan, Esq., Booters-town, Dublin, made her solemn profession.

ANTRIM.

On October 8th a remarkably sudden death took place in Belfast. It appears that a respectable young man named Peter Andrews, about seventeen years of age, had been employed for a time in the room-paper warehouse of Mr. D. Malcolm. Victoria street, as message boy; and while engaged in sweeping out the shop, he sud-denly dropped on the floor and expired instantaneously. Heart disease is mentioned as the cause of death.

DOWN.

On October 5th, one of the most respected clergymen of the diocese of Dro-more, the Rev. John McConville, P.P., expired at Loughbrickland. The reverend entleman had been ailing for a long time. His death has cast a gloom over the locality. He was for nearly a score of years parish priest of Lurgan, where the new Convent of Mercy and other beneficent institutions stand as memorials of his zeal and piety. The rev. gentleman was fifty years of age, and had spent twenty-five in the sacred ministry.

ARMAGH.

Two deaths, startlingly sudden, occurred at Lisburn on October 9th. The one is that of a man named Thomas Jefferson, cardriver, who was at work. Jefferson was greatly respected in the sphere in which he moved. The other is that of a member of the Royal Irish Constabulary, Head-Constable Brady. His sudden de-mise is much regretted in the town. The immediate cause of death is said to have been disease of the heart.

CAVAN.

On October 6th, in the Markethouse, Virginia, a meeting of the tenantry of the Headforth estates was held relative to the sending of a threatening letter to the Marquis. There were upwards of three hundred present, and the greatest order and good feeling prevailed. The meeting had been summoned in accordance with a resolution passed at a preliminary meeting of the committee held on the 30th of September last. The chair w s taken by the Rev. J. O'Reilly, P. P. Resolutions were passed condemning the outrage, and

The misery throughout Connemara, already great, is assuming vast proportions, and should the coming winter be severe will be intense. Ruined crops and blighted potatoes are almost universal. The exceptional severty of the whole of the resent year has reduced many persons of the verge of starvation, whilst the only fuel they possess [turf] is so saturated with wet as in many cases to be practically

MAYO.

Mr. George Browne, the eldest son of Mr. George Erskine Browne, M. P., for Mayo, died on Oct. 5th, at Thornhill, the residence of M. Charles B. Jordan, from the effects of a gun accident he met with on Sept. 9th.

LEITRIM.

The trustees of Lord Southwell's estates in the counties of Limerick, Leitrim. not the counties of Limerick, Leitrim, Donegal, and Cavan have, upon the recommendation of the agent, Philip O'Reilly, Esq., granted an abatement of 20 per cent. to all tenants except those holding by leases made previous to 1860.

Owen Wynne, Esq., D. L., has given directions to his agent. F. U. Olphetts, Esq., J. P., to presure 400 tons of ceal Esq., J. P., to procure 400 tons of coal, which is to be sold to his poorer tenantry in the counties of Leitrim and Sligo at cost and under cost price, according to the circumstances of the buyers.

PLAIN WORDS TO CARELESS GIRLS.

From the New York Herald.

The tender and general feeling of sympathy for the suicide of Lavinia Roach will rapidly abate now that the girl's history is known. She seems to have started in life with unusual good have started in life with unusual good prospects, for though humbly born and bred, she was so pleasing in face and manner as to excite the kindly interest of her betters. Had she maintained the self-control which is within the power of every woman she might to day be a happy wife instead of a loathsome corpse. She preferred to have a "good time"—an expression net uncommon among girls, and not necessarily of a bad meaning, but stroke.

A shocking murder was committed in Dublin, on Oct. 4th, by, it is alleged, a retired soldier named John Wynn. The victim was a young girl named Bain, aged twenty-five, a cousin of the accused. She was found quite dead, with her throat gashed with a razor in a frightful manner. The deed was committed during a dispute about their respective relatives.

WICKLOW.

The imposing ceremony of laying the foundation stone of a new convent for the Sisters of Mercy was performed at Arklow, on Oct. 5th, by his Grace the Most Rev. Dr. McCabe, Archbishop of Dublin. The ground on which the new convent is to be erected is portion of the eatter of the Federal Corrections of the catter of the Federal Roll o their male companions. What the really get is shame, disgrace and a terrible wounding of affections really pure that may have been honestly stimulated under promises foolishly believed. Some of these women have character enough to begin a new life, but the streets of any begin a new life, but the streets of any large city after nightfall show what becomes of most of them. Perhaps the womanly incentive to love some one unselfishly may be as strong in them as it ever was, but who will accept it? The story of Lavinia Roach, pretty and lady-like to the day of her death, gives sufficient answer. If young women would extract the greatest possible happiness out of life let them never exchange the pleasures of their own social circle, humdrum though they me be, for the society of bright young men who can give them suppers and invite them to balls, drives and excursions. Men whose intentions are honorable woo girls at their homes, not by stealth and in out-of-the-way places.

THE CHARM OF TRUE MARRIAGE.

On advanced theories of divorce and on advanced theories of divorce and free love, making the matrimonial re-lations merely a partnership to be dis-solved at pleasure, whatever else may be said in their favor, strike a deadly blow at said in their layor, strike a deadly blow at an element in it which was meant per-haps to be supreme over all others. What is the sweetest charm of all true marriage, what the greatest advantage, what the most priceless happiness, take life through, which it brings to the heart? Not the flush and splendor of its early love; not the richer development which it brings to the character; not even the children who the character; not even the children who are gathered around its shrine. No, but the intimacy and reliability of its companionship; the fact that it gives those who enter in it, each in the other and through all scenes and changes, a near and blessed stand-by.

Marriage in some of its aspects is, doubt-

Marriage in some of its aspects is, doubtless, the soure of an immense amount of
unhappiness, crime, injustice, blight and
lown-dragging, one of the most perplexing institutions society has to deal
with. Only the blindest sentimentalist
will deny that. On the other hand,
however—and this is no mere sentiment,
but sober fact—of all the evidences of
fold's goodness to be found in this lower. goodness to be found in this lower, all the proofs that He cares for smack Elizabeth.

On Oct. 6th, a fracas occurred on the platform of the Drogheda railway station between two highly respectable gentlemen, one being Mr. Philip Callan, M. P., Dundalk, the other Charles McMahon, jun., Esq., solicitor, of the same place. Shortly after the arrival of the mail train, due at Drogheda from the North at half-past four, the gentlemen named wire observed on the platform exchanging language quite the reverse of changing language quite langu

parental all in common, and are moved to stand by each other, hand to hand and heart to he rt, in every sorrow, misfortune, trial and stormy day that earth may bring. It is an ideal, if not always realized in full, which is tasted even now, amid all that is said about the marriage and the mattriage of the statements will be seen to be said about the marriage and the said about miseries, more wildly, perhaps, than any other happiness.

He who knows the truth, cannot be liberal without rupning the risk of falsifying. Hence, a Catholic fully instructed in his religion cannot be a "liberal" cannot permit any compromise with error. For this world blames us, to be sure, but to the world we are not held responsible

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