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THE Queen has created the Duke of Edinburgh, R. G., a Knight of the Order of St. Patrick, as a mark of the sense entertained by Her Majesty of the services rendered by His Royal Highness in administering relief in Ireland.

A promising auriferous tract has been discovered on the Carpentarian watershed in Cape York peninsula.

The sale of suet-butter in the United States, last year, amounted to ninety-eight million pounds weight.

Father Horner, the originator and head of the Roman Catholic Mission to Zanzibar, Bagamoyo, and Ngouvan, has died at Cannes, after a long and painful illness contracted in Africa.

Forty-two thousand adult women of Leeds have signed a petition desiring the House of Commons to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister.

It has been announced by the Archbishop of Canterbury, that the clergymen desired to go on a mission to the Christians of Kurdistan, need not be proficient in the Eastern languages, and that those who go out will be expected rather to give advice and assistance in founding and organizing native schools and other institutions, than to carry on what is distinctively known as missionary work. One clergyman has been provisionally appointed, and is ready to start for Kurdistan as soon as a colleague can be found.

The Egyptian obelisk has sailed from Alexandria for the United States. The steamer Dessouk has it on board.

The new Burial Bill proposes to remove legal penalties from a clergyman who uses the Burial Service on unconsecrated ground, or employs in certain cases abbreviated offices, in accordance with the recommendation of the Convocation of the Southern Province. It provides also that burials may be with or without a religious service, and that in either case they are to be conducted in a decent and orderly manner, without obstruction; and also that "any person or persons who shall be thereunto invited, or be authorized by the person having charge of, or being responsible for said burial, may conduct such service, or take part in any religious act thereat." The service at the grave, if any, is to be "such Christian and orderly religious service" as the person in charge of the burial "shall think fit." It will be seen at once that independent of the question of the desecration of ground consecrated for Church services, the Bill opens the way for any kind of service "the person having the charge" of the burial "shall think fit;" which may be of the wildest and most anti-Christian possible, in the estimation of the rest of the

community. No definite description of the nature of the services to be permitted is given, no remedy is provided against the greatest abuses imaginable, and no penalty is enacted for any offence that may be committed against the provisions of the Bill, indefinite as they are.

The new Governor-General, the Marquis of Ripon, has reached Bombay.

The Sultan has been encouraged in resistance to European intervention by the Grand Vizier and other Ministers, who in their turn have been supported by the great Council of the Ulema. If Mr. Gladstone's government does no good in any other quarter, it is to be hoped it will speedily teach the Turks that a little civilization and humanity will be expected from them. Nothing has hitherto been seriously attempted in that direction. A determined attitude will have to be assumed, for barbarism, with a Turk, seems almost essential to existence.

At the first session of the new Convocation of Canterbury, the Prolocutor-elect of the Lower House, the Dean of Worcester, was presented to the Archbishop of Canterbury by the Ven. Archdeacon Harrison, the three exchanging congratulatory greetings in set Latin speeches.

The Great Council of Geneva have adopted a project of law, the principle of which is, that after a given time, the State and the Communes will grant no subsidies for religious purposes—thus pointing to a general disendowment of the Canton.

Archæological researches in a mound near Sandefjord, Norway, have brought to light a boat 60 feet long. It is believed to be a Viking's ship, used for piratical expedition a thousand years ago.

In Ireland, on Trinity Sunday, there were ordinations in several Dioceses, when the number of candidates was somewhat larger than usual. This was especially the case in the ordination held by the Bishop of Down and Connor, when several candidates had letters dimissory from the Primate. Nearly all the candidates were from Trinity, Dublin, there being one each from King's College, St. Bees', St. Aidan's, and London University.

The Rev. H. B. Carter, who is acting on behalf of the Irish minor incumbents who claim further compensation out of the Church funds, has received a communication to the effect that Mr. Gladstone has referred this claim to the Irish Office for consideration.

The Prince of Wales has been transferred from the colonelcy of the Rifle Brigade to the colonelcy of the 1st and 2nd Life Guards, and of the Royal Horse Guards.

At the annual meeting of the Royal Geographical Society, the Royal Medal for the encouragement of geographical science and discovery was awarded to Lieutenant Louis Polander, for his services as commander of the *Vega* in the late Swedish Arctic Expedition.

A deputation from the Aborigines' Protection Society, introduced by Mr. Froude, has been to

the Colonial Office to ask that reparation might be made to the Zulus for the iniquitous war against them, and that a commission of inquiry should be sent to South Africa. The Earl of Kimberley in reply stated that although he did not approve of some of the colonial legislation, he thought a commission of inquiry at the Cape would render government impossible. He thought all that could be done now would be to cultivate friendly relations with the Zulus.

In a letter addressed to the Oxford District English Church Union, and given in the *Guardian*, Dr. Pusey remarks:—"Whether we shall be enabled or no to obtain a reconsideration of the non-natural interpretation, that the question that 'such ornaments of the Church and of the minister thereof shall be retained and be in use,' means 'shall not be retained or be in use,' common sense will not countenance vexatious prosecution against those who take the words in the natural sense, whenever they have a united people with them.....Our wisdom, it appears to me, under the present storm, is to concentrate ourselves; to see that we win our people; to go not a step without them; to do nothing arbitrary, nothing which should give the impression that we wish to remodel the Church and its services on any theory of our own. In no position of the Church, West or East, would it be allowable for the second order to act for themselves, apart from those set over them, or those to whom they were appointed to minister." His advice is: "Fear ye not, stand still, and see the salvation of God."

The Incorporated Church Building Society has held its annual meeting. The total income for the year has been £7,714 stg.; but at the close of the session in July the available balance was only £50. A new regulation has been made, by which every parish which accepts the Society's aid undertakes to have an annual collection for the Society until, at least, the amount of the grant was paid off. At the meeting, the Archbishop of Canterbury stated that we have great reason for congratulation on account of the way in which the Church secures the affections of the people. When the Diocese of Liverpool was formed, the income of the Bishop was fixed at the minimum sum specified in the Act of Parliament; but in the course of the very few weeks that have since passed, such liberal contributions have been received that his income will be the maximum allowed by the Act; and he was told that a house had already been provided.

It is stated that the Rev. Roland Errington, one of the Conducts of Eton, is to succeed the Rev. T. T. Carter, as rector of Clewer. He has been curate of Stoke Poges and Ringwood.

On Thursday, May 27, Archdeacon Palmer, in the absence of the Bishop of Oxford, re-opened St. Luke's, Garford, after thorough restoration. The church was built in the thirteenth century. The service at the opening was choral. The Archdeacon preached on 1 Chron. 29: 1.

Lord Penzance, sitting at Lambeth Palace, has given judgment in the new suit of *Martin vs. Mackonochie*. The suit was brought on letters of request from the Bishop of London to deprive Mr.

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