A HAMILTON CASE.

George S. Ross Makes a Very Start-ling Statement.

Hamilton, April 17.—"I do, confident ly believe I would have been a cripple for life, if I had not used Dodd's Kidney

Such was the startling statement made by Mr. S. Ross, 70 Merrick street, to several friends and acquaintances a

tew days ago.

Mr. Ross is one of our shrewdest and
most progressive business men. He
conducts a fleurishing grocery business

at the address given

'Why do you make such an assertion
as that?" asked one of his hearers.

An Irishman In†Toronto.

The following letter appears in the Dublin Precious's Journal from writ-or whose letters have been also ap-pearing in our antemporary the (Hole-This letter was evidently written be-fore the death of the late Hugh Byanfore the death of the inte Hugh 183m.
I never visit this beautiful Canadian
city without recalling Mr. William
O'Brien's famous onslaught on Lord
Lansdowne during the time that the
latter was Viceroy of Canada. T at
was a memorable event in Toronto history. It was a beld and daring venture, tory, it was a beld and daring venture, and it roused passions as violent as those of a Paris mob. All the pussion of it has vanished long ago, but the humour of it survives, and occasionally in the clubs men that were then arrayed on different sides recall some of the incide nts, and wonder how such things sould be. Toronto has been long the headquanters of Orangeism in America, and in past decendes there were berfermances here that paralleled those of the 12th of July Sandy row. but happily tho times are past and gone, and oil inhabitants of the city tell me that the disappearance of religious bigotry in Toronto is one of the most comarkable exents of this seneration. There are Orangemen herefull, but there are Orangemen herefull, but there are Orangemen herefull, and therefully on the same clubs, dine at the same table, dance in the Anne sets, and play it the same kames with just as true and patriotic Irishma as William O'Biten himself. The children of both are companions and associates, and a man's religion, or a woman's, is no bar to success in any profession, in any trade, or in uny society. Surely this is a pleasant vista, and one eminently worth chronicling. There is probably a little of the old beaven left, but if the, it evits only among the agec and stereotyped, and you never see it, and, if you do, you hed it met, for "It hangs oulte out of fashion." Like a rusty mail in monumental mockery."

And this bleased evolution has come about because Oranga and Green have been rubbed tor-ther, and have learned to appreciate each other. Edward Sheppard, the brilliant editor of Saturday Night, in his younger days was wont to make "No Popery" specches that out-frivalled those of poor John Rue; but he laughs about them in the pour of the land and trained, and fashioned."

And an

glorious Ireland.

That is what Thomas G. Blackstock said to me only to-day, and Mr. Bluckstock is one of Canada's coming men. His name, to be sure, does not smack stock is one of Canada's coming menhis name, to be sure, does not smack
Hibernian, but his father was born in
Leitrim, and he was, and is a Methodist minister. He is English on his
mother's side, and his'career and intellectual growth as typical of the New
World. The world's goods were not
levish in the home where he was
brought up, and even when he was
alway student he contrived to help to
educate himself. In vacation times he
was to travel as a book agent, and
that took him out to the frontier both
to the States and in Canada. Then he
did some pioneer railroad work, and
finally settled down to the practice of
low. It did not take him long to besome the head of a great law firm, and
from that he branched off to take rank
among the mining kings of the contineat. He is only 45 now, but his name
in Canada is as potent as Rothschild
in England, and that is not bad for a
youth who peddled books twenty-five
yoars ago.

Hugh Ryan, of Toronto, is another

youth who peddled books twenty-five years ago. Hugh Ryan, of Toronto, is another type. His opening years were spent. Bedde the Shannon, for he was born in Limerick county. As a youth he was among the exodus that sailed away from Ireland in those frightful years that followed the familie of '48. He has forged ahead till his name has become synonymous for success and wealth and honour, but though he is richer than many kings, and a main of power and influence in the Dominion, he carriegrant ship without a tear and a tremor. He was one of the doputation from Canada two years ago to that big convention of the lithi race, which, it seems to us, was not unfull-tail.

cen, it seems to do, rechbishop Walsh, was mother type, all Francis de Sales, whose gentles of ilfe and sweetness of character done mere to kill prejudice and stry in Canada than any, or peralli, other influencer combined, his love for Ireland and the Irish a was pathetie in its intensity. He ited Ireland free, regenerated, and py, because he felt that Ireland it then send forth men and women, would le, en the world and help

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to uplift humanity. Father Treavy, who attended the sountly Archbishor in his lost moments, told me a few days after his death that till his noble spirit soured away he was praying for heland and unity and peace for her people.

spirit sourced away he ware praying for he hand and unity and peace for he i people.

He saw what litchmen had done in the New World. They reared manufacent charletos, and built convents, schools, and hospitale. In every walk of lite he saw them forging to the front, and though starting heavily handicapped they reached the goal more swiftly than any others. He never desputed of fredard, for he knew the mate power and capacity of the race, and even when the miscrable factions at home suddened others and almost drove the bardshed frish to despit, the Archibalon's gentle voice was heard consoliding pattence, any saying, "all would yet be well."

But to return to Toronto. Its population is more than half that of Dublin, located on the north side of Linke Onton, in the suddied of the second fields is rather than Dublin, and its submbs are far mere beautiful than its side that properties are at supersection of the trich and prosperious are ast any passed in Paris of Virina for elegance, wealth of the contest, and this beautiful city is made at the lone s and cottages of the working toles make to an Irish art the recollection of those of either Belfast or Tublin a sad, if not a bitter, one

Befast or Dublin a sad, if not a bitter, one
And this beautiful city is the growth of a century that raw Dublin dwindle from the metropolis of a self-governed people to the capital of a province governed by the warst buseaucracy that ever cursed the world. There are people in Ireland belonging to the old race and to the old creed who have told me that the Irish were not fit for Home Hule, that there was something in the race that is so fractions that it cannot be trusted to shape its own destiny. They point the imager of secun at the harden of the leaders of faction, they have quoted, and still send me extracts from those wretched newspapers that preach folly and nate. But such men did net know the Irish race. They have

inter quoted, and still send me extracts from these weethed newspapers that preach folly and nate. But such men did not know the firsh race. They have seen it only under cheumstances that would have irretrievably debased and degraded any steen. Here are the Drame and the Green living side by side and creating a city as beautiful ox Vienna, and a cousty, Ontarlo, as routiful as France. Under the megic forunces of self-government this people have grown and waxed strong and mutuplied. They have transformed the wilderness. Ireland is small compared to this regal province of Ontario. It was a wilderness when the century began. There were no people rave the wandering savage, the French-Canadhan trappers and hunters, and half-breeds, who were more worthless than the Redskins themselves. Travel over this country now. It is better supplied with railroads than feeland. Look out from the railroad cars as you speed through the country. There is no land that presents a fairer picture of rural happiness and prospecify.

Large and affilient-looking farm houses, leichs, and orbands, and gardens, showing signs of the slighest cultivation; out can see the children running home from the country school-house, cheery and bright, and wat mily and corefortably clothed; and you will rever see them rob an orchard or pull a peach or plum that grows be side the footwalk, though it is within Lund's reach, you will see the prosperous-looking village every you and then, and they have Jone it all under the Union Jack, but they could not an heart of the seams and transformed it into ne of the most prosperous countries on the globe, and they have Jone it all under the Union Jack, but they could not and never would have done it only that England it them absolutely singe every you and they have Jone it all under the Union Jack, but they could not and never would have done it only that England it them absolutely singe here would have done it only that England it them absolutely singe their own fate and fortunes. They were free, self-governed, and

inade our inotherland the Neose 3: Jisles.

And let me tell those people in Ireland who deem their race inclushe of freedom that there is not one single well-balanced Englishman, Irlahman, or Sootchman on this continent who does not wish and desire that England should grant Ireland Home Rule. They know that it will transform Ireland. They know what Irishmen are capable of when the stage is large and the part is great. These Canadians believe and talk about the Empire. It is their bonst and glory. They want Ireland and the Irish to become contented and happy within the Empire, and they are enthusiastic and ardent Home Rulers.

They do not believe in Mr Chambon late's Angle-American alliance. The know the United States so well. Or terday I was talking to the editor the greatest newspaper in Canada, an a supporter of the present Domitide Government. "I cannot concert," I said to me, "my admiration for American Co., The American chovernment in lead the English dovernment in the left the English dovernment and begin the Company of the Control of the ion. The American dovernment has led the English Government and peoplinto the belief of a possible utiliance, or at least of a devoted (riendship. The English Government is willing to do anything to gain must friendship or all lines. She is actually anxious to sacrifice Camadian interests to secure Uncle Sam's friendship and alliance, and the result is America is getting concessions and favours which three years are England would not jield without a war, and when America has had all she wants out of Camada and Englands who will simply laugh at John

had all she wants out of Canada and England she will simply having at John Bull, and Canada will mave by the world of the provident so utilized the provident of the provident so utilized to the control of the provident so the provident show the impossibility of such an affil-ance, but it is important to know that is ading 'anadians' place no reduced whether on the accomplishment of which.

P. A. OFARIGELE.

P. A. O'FARGELL.

ORDINATION OF NEGRO PRIESTS

The "Missions Catholiques" of Lycus alvee a very interesting account of the outhauton to priest hood of twalliance aducated by the missionaries of the Society of the Holy Ghost. The Most Rev. De. Carrie. Car. Sp., vicar apostolic of French Congo, writes on the merow of the ordination from Loange about this impressive, and at the some time most consoling ceremony, to say that two young priests wer ordinated on Saturday of the ember week of December fast. The happy elect of the Lord are Father Kambo and Father Massensa. The formation of these two priests, anys the venerable prelate, took twenty long years. No doubt this was a long course of training and of studies. When quite young they were adopted in the mission house, and being found talented and exceptionality plous, they were taught Latin and fleek, and by degrees they went through a complete classical course in the junior seuinary attached to the mission. With patience and holy perseverance these two vocations were finally orought to mature perfection during a long course of theological studies. After having received the first torsure they were gradually admitted, at long intervals, to the mission that the conversion to the faith of forty thousand paguans than one priest out to that number of converts. The two young priests celebrated their first Monta and the conversion to the faith of forty thousand paguans than one priest or thousand paguans than one priest cot of that number of converts. The two young priests celebrated their first Monta of Advent, or, for it is allifeuit to califice what a deep impression such a ceremony makes on the poor Blacks when they see those whom they knew all title boys ascending the atlact vestiments, and being now like one of them in dignilly and power and sanctity, praying, blessing. This was not the first ordination of native priests in the Conge mission. Two others were all the conversion to the proper of them in dignilly and power and sanctity, praying, blessing, This was not them in dignilly and power and sanctity in the

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