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God forbid that I should glory, save in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ; by whom the world is Crucified to me, and I to the world.—St. Paul, Gal. vi. 14.

HALIFAX, SEPTEMBER 4, 1847.

CALENDAR.

- SEPTEMBER 5—Sunday—XV after Pentecost, II Sept.
6—Monday—St. Urban, I. P. M.
7—Tuesday—St. Boniface IV., P. C.
8—Wednesday—Nativity of B. V. M.
9—Thursday—St. Surgius I., P. C.
10—Friday—St. Hilary, P. C.
11—Saturday—St. Nicholas of Tolentinc.

O'CONNELL IN IRELAND.

(Concluded.)

At half past one, P. M., on Sunday, the remains were removed from the church at Chester and placed on a special trian to be taken to Birkenhead. They reached the latter place in about an hour and were at once conveyed on board the Duchess of Kent—the vessels of all nations in the river lowering their flags. Here too, the population was most desirous to pay the tribute of their respect, and in order to gratify the anxious wishes of an admiring people, the side hangings of the little "Sea Chapel," in which the remains were deposited on being taken on board, were elevated so as to expose the coffin to view, and the inhabitants to the number of over ten thousand, were permitted the privilege of walking round the "chapel" and looking upon the case which contained the lifeless body of him who was so long the life of these kingdoms. Some of the most influential inhabitants of Liverpool availed themselves of the privilege thus afforded to them, and one family—the family of Mr. Prim—not being able to go alongside during the afternoon, claimed permission at twelve o'clock at night, immediately previous to

the time of sailing, to see where the Irish Liberator lay in peace.

A little after one the Duchess of Kent weighed anchor and arrived, as we have already described after a calm and most favourable voyage within sight of the Irish shore in about 11 hours. It was arranged that the coffin was not to be removed to the Metropolitan Church, till four P. M., and after the Duchess of Kent, took the passengers by the Arran Castle on board she hove to, and not far from the South Lighthouse, till such time would elapse as would admit of her reaching the Custom House at the appointed hour. During the stay of the Duchess in the Pool several yachts bore close on her, all hauling their colours halfmast high.—We observed that there was no deviation from this rule, no matter what the politics or religious opinions of the proprietor.

About two o'clock a large steamer, the Birmingham, bound for Liverpool came out of the harbour carrying her colours half mast high. As she neared the Duchess of Kent, her passengers—numbering some hundreds, and who were seemingly of the working class, and from the provinces—on perceiving by the black plumes which wave over the temporary chapel that the remains of the Liberator were on board, simultaneously took off their hats, and as if moved by an impulse of nature rather than by intention, gave utterance to their deep sorrow by the loud wail, or keene, so well known as the lament for the dead of the Irish peasantry. Several other instances occurred during the stay, which are equally worthy of note. One we cannot omit to record—it was, perhaps the most simple, yet deeply touching scene we ever witnessed. A crew of hardy fishermen in their trim craft, bore