

We extract from the Dublin Pastoral of His Lordship the Bishop of Meath, the following denunciation of Ribbonism, and "secret societies" generally.—

Our spirited fellow-countryman, Mr. J. Donegan, the eminent jeweller, of Dame-st., Dublin, has presented the Rev. Mr. Conway with a gold watch, chain and seals, of his own manufacture, valued at forty-five guineas, in commemoration of his triumph over the government prosecutors.

The Bishop and the Scripture Reader.—We (Dublin Telegraph) crave the reader's attention to a letter in another column signed W. S. Caldwell, and addressed to the Right Rev. Dr. O'Brien, the Protestant Bishop of Ossory and Ferns.

The following is an extract from the letter alluded to by the Dublin Telegraph. It will be seen from the testimony of a Swaddler, how admirably adapted the "Scripture Readers" are to "pound the Word of God":—

THE MILITIA.—Orders have been received by the officers commanding several regiments of the militia, intimating to hold themselves in readiness to embark at short notice for foreign service.

The following Scotch and English regiments have also got orders to hold themselves in readiness to embark.—The Highland Borderers to the Pirous and Athens; Stirlingshire, to Malta; Leicestershire, to Halifax; 1st. Staffordshire, to Gibraltar; East Kent Regiment, to Cape of Good Hope—to relieve regiments going to India, and being withdrawn from the colonies.—Freeman Cor.

Mr. JOHN REYNOLDS.—In the course of a trial lately before one of our law courts, the following piece of interesting information was elicited from Mr. Patrick Reynolds, son of Mr. John Reynolds, the would-be representative of the city of Dublin, or of any other place or thing whatever that would enable him to take a seat in the House of Commons, and so keep the business of the "general office" in a flourishing condition.

Mr. Patrick Reynolds was produced, and deposed in contradiction to the plaintiff, that he had engaged him to act for his father in relation to the petition at his office in Fleet-street.

It was no laughing matter to poor P. We warrant he will be kept at a distance from the "general office for some time to come.—Nation.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Dr. Waring, the Catholic Bishop of Northampton, has resigned his see, and intends spending the remainder of his days in a monastery.

Mr. Deazy has given notice of the following motion in the House of Commons.—"Roman Catholic Soldiers.—To call the attention of the house to the expediency and justice of making more adequate provision for the spiritual wants of Her Majesty's Roman Catholic Soldiers, and for the education of their children in Regimental and Government Schools and Orphanages in the United Kingdom and in India, without danger to their religious tenets.—(After Easter.

CATHOLIC RECRUITS.—It is said that Government is beginning to feel the effects of its illiberal and short-sighted policy towards Catholic soldiers. No fewer than 80,000 recruits are said to be required, and they are not forthcoming.

OUR CATHOLIC ARMY IN INDIA.—Every letter from India speaks of the continued injustice of the Government towards the Catholic religion. The question is not whether an Apostolic Missionary will be content with one-fifth of that given to the Protestant Chaplain. No doubt he may.

LECTURES ON INDIA.—Mr. Burke (Editor of the Lamp) has lately been delivering lectures on India, in connection with Catholic Societies at St. Helen's, Lancashire, and at Bolton, Blackburn, and Wigan, in the same county; and we observe with pleasure that on each occasion the reverend chairman and the audience expressed their cordial approbation of the lectures.

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having our missionaries protected, would depart; for there never was any race so determined against Christianity as the Mohammedan race, and it was consequently very rarely that a convert was made from Mohammedanism. The grand problem was therefore to try and strike upon the novelty of governing India upon a completely Christian spirit.

TRIAL OF ALDERMAN MONK FOR THE WILL FORGERY AT PRESTON.—At the Lancaster Assizes, which was opened on Thursday evening, Thomas Monk was tried before Baron Martin for forgery. The case has been before the public, and the main facts will be remembered.

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By this arrangement of course every part will progress simultaneously, and each be effected at the lowest cost and in the best style. No less than 10 anchors are now required to hold the monster vessel at her present moorings—five at the stem and five at the stern, and each with lengths of cable attached varying from 40 to 160 fathoms.

Notwithstanding the well-merited castigation which Mr. Spurgeon has received in these as well as other columns, he has become such an object of importance, that his acquaintance is anxiously sought for by the most illustrious luminaries of the hour.

A STRANGE CASE.—The Manchester Examiner says:—"The other evening an apprehension was made in the chief town in a neighbouring county, on a charge which, when it is judicially investigated, promises to be one of the most singular among the Scottish cases celebrated.

EYEYOTS OF FORTUNE TELLING.—A man named John Hodgson was charged at the Halifax police-court on Tuesday with having unlawfully pretended to use subtle craft,—to wit, palmistry,—to deceive and impose on certain of Her Majesty's subjects.

with hieroglyphics. The Bench committed the prisoner to the House of Correction for three months, with hard labour, and expressed their regret that the law did not allow them to award a severer punishment.—London Times.

UNITED STATES.

AMERICAN ROMANISM.—The population of our country, says the "Religious Herald" (Baptist) of March 4th 1858, is but four times as great as it was fifty years ago; but Roman Catholic laymen are twenty-five, and Roman Catholic Priests twenty-seven times as numerous.

Divorce.—There is no subject more worthy the attention of the legislators of the present day, than that of divorce. The facilities afforded, by the laws of the country, to married persons of dissolving the marriage tie upon the most frivolous pretext has well nigh divested it of its sacredness and importance, and the result is that young people enter that sacred state with the same indifference as they would enter a ball room or theatre from which they may retire when it suits their convenience for places offering greater inducements.

PHRASES AND AN UGLY QUARREL.—Some unscrupulous Trustees, at the head of a little faction of infidel schuarrburts, or forty-eighters, as they are significantly called in their own tongue, have been attempting of late to create a "revolution" in St. Peter's (German) Church, Rochester.

The Philadelphia Ledger (Protestant) has the following remarks upon a new dodge of the Protestant Sunday Schools in the United States:—

"SYSTEMATIC DISSENTION.—The community have been entertained, for months past, with a movement professedly of a religious character, known as 'systematic dissention.' At a meeting on Thursday night, the plan was developed, and it appears to be an effort to get children to bring to the society the money they may receive as presents, or as rewards, or what they may earn by 'extraordinary industry or overwork,' which money is to be devoted to foreign and home missions, and a great many other things besides.