

the Bishop was heard to remark, that, since the Reformation, never had been witnessed a ceremony so solemn and so imposing.

As it hath pleased our Heavenly Father to call unto Himself several of our most valuable, talented and useful Priests, so likewise hath it pleased Him in His infinite love and goodness to call others to His loving service, to the holy work of the Ministry.

### CONVERSIONS.

From a correspondent in the *English Churchman* on the subject of the volume entitled "From Oxford to Rome," which has excited much interest in England and been somewhat read on this side of the Atlantic, we learn that the book is by a lady, formerly a member of the congregation of the Rev. Mr. Oakley, who it will be remembered apostatized to Rome a few years ago. She is also now a Roman Catholic; and "laments the publication and would gladly recall it, if it were now under her control."—*Calendar*.

The *Tablet* announces that Mr. Burns with his wife and family, has seceded to the Church of Rome. Mr. B. is a well known and highly respectable book-seller in London, and has been one of the most successful publishers of the day. A Mr. Darnell, fellow of New College, Oxford, and Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, has likewise apostatized.

**WATERFORD AND THE POPE.**—The citizens of Waterford are the first in Ireland, save those of the enlightened corporation of Dublin, to stand up in defence of the noble Pius. Ireland is determined, so far as an avowal of opinion goes (and it is the great motive power of the world,) to show that she is not extinct as a nation, and that she has a diplomacy of her own with which to protest against the doings of sacreligious tyrants. In this determination of Ireland, Waterford has been, we may say, the first to pronounce—no doubt other cities and localities will follow.—*Waterford Chronicle*.

**VISIT OF FATHER MATTHEW TO AMERICA.**—We understand that the Very Rev. gentleman's visit to the New World, which has been so much spoken of, is now definitively fixed, and that it will take place next spring. For some time the citizens of Boston have been expecting him, and so strong was the belief that he would visit America this year that the commanders of the Train Line Packets Ocean Monarch, which sailed on the 20th ult., and the Mary Aune, which left last Tuesday, received orders from the owners to place the private state cabins of those splendid vessels at his disposal.—The Rev. gentleman has, we understand intimated that he will avail himself of this generous offer early next spring. Boston being the most Irish of

any city in the United States, and particularly abounding in Cork and Kerry settlers, it will be a triumph to their principles and feelings to find both so nobly represented as they will be in the person and advocacy of the Apostle of Temperance.—*Cork Reporter*.

**BISHOP OF CLONFERT.**—The ceremony of the consecration of the Rt. Rev. J. Derry, D. D., for the Bishopric of Clonfert, took place in the Catholic Church of Loughrea, on the 21st inst. A scene so truly imposing has seldom been witnessed in this locality. The Archbishop of Tuam officiated as Consecrating Bishop, assisted by the Bishops of Meath and Elphin, Doctors Cantwell and Browne; Dr. O'Connell, Bishop of Galway, was present at the august ceremony. These learned divines were assisted in their sacred duties by the usual number of Chaplains and mitre bearers. Nearly the entire clergy of the diocese, secular and regular, were in attendance, and several distinguished clergymen from the the neighbouring dioceses, and taken as a whole, presented a grand, soul elevating spectacle.—*Cork Southern Reporter*.

**LIVERPOOL.**—We lament to learn that another Catholic clergyman has been attacked by that dreadful malady which has already been so fatal to his brethren in this town, no fewer than nine having fallen victims to its ravages. The gentleman to whom we allude is the Rev John F. Whittaker, Incumbent of St. Joseph's Grosvenor Street. On Sunday week he preached a most eloquent discourse on the duties of man towards God and his fellow creatures, contrasting the death-bed of the humble and pious Christian with that of the impenitent sinner, and contending that a virtuous life was the only preparation for a happy death. On the same day the preacher was taken ill, and we grieve to learn that his disease has since assumed all the symptoms of typhus fever. He remains in a very dangerous state.—*Liverpool Mercury*.

At Rome a medal has been struck to commemorate the protest against the occupation of Ferrara. It has the head of the Pope on one side, and those of the Cardinals Ciacchi and Feretti on the other. The army of observation at Forli is to consist of 15,000 men.—*Augsburg Gazette*.

The *Patrie* says:—"Letters received to-day from Toulon announce that orders had been given to embark 7,000 men, in case England should send a fleet to Civita Vecchia. M. Guizot and Lord Palmerston were agreed on the Italian question.—It was added that 120,000 Austrians will be concentrated along the Frontiers of Lombardy before the close of September.