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successful than his predecessors have been. The trouble, bowever, is, and always has been, more with the hen THE MISSION AT THE CATHEDRAL-CITY than with the egg.

THE Philadelphia American thus refers to the result of the Irish State trials: "The Irish State Trials have have ended just as might have been expected. No Dublin jury could be expected to acquit the Land Leaguers; and no Irish jury, unless selected as was that which tried Mr. O'Connell in 1844, could be counted on to convict them. So the jury disagreed and were discharged. Those wise prophets who, like The Advertiser, have been prophesying every two months for years past that Mr. Parnell would soon find that Mr. Parnell would soon find himself without a following, either in Parliament or out of it, should more particularly next week. take note of the expression of public feeling which followed the breakdown of the prosecution. Every hill-top blazed with bonfires, and the knot of members of Parliament, who have repudiated their election pledges to support Mr. Parnell, are denounced by their constituents as traitors, and their resignations demanded. The Irish are as united as ever, and they are just clannish enough to reject any Land bill of which Mr. Parnell does not approve.

They know that but for him and the Land League they would have got nothing, and they mean that he shall have his say as to what terms they shall accept before abandoning their agitation.'

A city cotemporary says that "no honest person doubts Mr. Gladstone's

sick of the nonsensical and pernicious Orange business. The affairs of our country can surely be carried on by the two great political parties at pre sent in existence much better than by a third party representing only a fraction of the population, and holding views which cannot be said to reflect much credit upon them either as Canadians or Christians. We hope the Government will either compel Major James Bennett to behave himself with propriety, or have him step down and out to make room for a man-be he Catholic or Protestantwho has no proclivity for breeding ill-will amongst the people of a young country upon whom all her children -native and adopted-of all religious persuasions-may justly look with a large degree of pride and satisfac-

HAMILTON LETTER.

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MISSION AT THE CATHEDRAL. The renewal of the Mission given by the Redemptorists in St. Mary's Cathedral last year commenced at High Mass on Sunday last. It is conducted by Fathers Miller, McCormick, Schmidt and Kolb. The order of devotions are the same as usual, viz: at 5 and 8.30 a. m., and at 7.30 with particular instructions during the afternoons. Thus far the attendance has been very large—that at 5 o'clock has been very large—that at 5 o'clock has being especially worthy of note. The children who had made their First Communion were attended to in the early part of the week. The Mission will continue for ten days, ending Tuesday the 15th

OUR CATHOLIC CHARITIES.

In addition to the notice given during Christmas week, we subjoin the following facts, taken from the published report of the St. Mary's Ladies Benevolent So-

The receipts from all sources during the whatever to "carry forward." The three items of expenditure were food, fuel and

Report: 89 persons were admitted to the home during 1880; two of these were Protestants. Forty-nine belonged to Hamilton, the rest were from other parts of the province. The sum of \$19,000 was expended during the year. Of the receipts the government of the receipts the government of the receipts the government of the town, and a lasting monument to the town during the year. Of the receipts the government grant amounted to only \$1183.28, or one-fifteenth of the expenses. This institution is now known as the House of Desiring and Properties of the worthy and respected

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THE BIDDULPH TRAGEDY.

Shortly after we went to press last week the jury in this case returned a verdict of "Not Guilty" regarding the prisoner James Carroll. All the persons confined in jail charged with complicity in the mur-der of the Donnelly family were liberated on bail. The most intense interest was manifested from the beginning. Each day packed with people anxious to hear every point brought forward for the prosecution and the defence. Hundreds were unable to gain admittance. It is considered that this will be the last effort of the Crown to attempt to fasten the guilt on the men lately confined in jail.

QUEBEC LETTER

Do any of your readers read

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Speaking of death brings to my mind the demise of Mr. John Watters, the father

Bishop conferred the sacrament of Confirmation on 83 candidates at Blyth. High Mass was sung by Very Rev. Dean Murphy, and on Sunday, 30th, 90 persons were confirmed in Wawanosh. This mission was formed into a parish only a year area and confided to the pasteral care of ago and confided to the pastoral care of Rev. John G. O'Connor. Since his arrival in the parish a new spirit has been infused into the Catholics of the district. This is no doubt due to the earnest zeal of the Rev. Pastor. Under his guidance and direction a piece of land containing nine acres has been purchased and a beautiful pastoral residence erected at a cost of

On Feb. 1st His Lordship confirmed 96 persons in Goderich. The children presented in this place, and who had been instructed by Rev. Father Watters, the pas-tor, showed by their answering that they had been thoroughly prepared, whilst their modest and earnest manner showed that they fully realised the importance and sanctity or the Sacrament they were about to receive. The same may be said of the other missions visited.

CHURCH DEDICATION IN PARIS.

WELL-MERITED PROMOTION.

THE HARR?

If they do I have only to say to them that they do well; if not, well then—the sooner they commence to read the Harp the better for themselves. I would particularly refer them to the spicy little column of Chit Chit in the February number; an item or two will not be out of place: Says H. B. (himself an Englishman, if I am nof very much mistaken:)

—"Ireland could not govern itself." What then? What is that to you? Has God ever given you Englishmen a patent to govern all ill-conditioned countries? And because your neighbor mismanages his estate, is that any reason why you should swallow it up? You are altogether too officious. Ireland does not want you or your government. Why then force yourselves upon her? Why? Again step down and out—you are not wanted there."

WELL-MERITED PROMOTION.

On Sunday, Feb. 6th, the Catholics of Paris assisted at the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass for the first time in their new church dedifice. Everybody looked forward to the occasion with the anticipation of witnessing something grand, and certainly they were not disappointed. Seldom have we seen more order and regulation in the arrangements for a church opening than were observed by the zealous Father Dowling and his parishoners. The admission being by ticket, the disagreeable feature of overcrowding which too often accompanies such ceremonies was avoided, whilst every seat in the church was occupied, the comfort of everyone was secured by the commendable foresight of the pastor. The church, which is 100x45 is a beautiful gothic structure, and though not a new one, has been so changed by the renovations made under the direction of I Turner Eas, of Eventford, architect there."

"These periodical failures of the Great British Constitution—what do they prove?"

"Well—the least they prove is, that the British Constitution has scant business in Ireland, and that the sooner, like Boycott" (Mayo is sure to be brought into the snarl now-a-days) "it packs up its traps and appearance. The interior, divided into have and ailes by two rows of stone pillars and walls blocked and tinted, give to the building a cheering look. The stained glass windows, which were supplied by Mr. Lewis, of this city, are beautiful in design and of the finest workman-ship. The tower and spire, 110 feet high and covered with ornameatal slating, adds to the beauty of the exterior and make the church quite conspicuous, even at a considerable distance. In fine, both pastor and people are to be congratulated on the great success attending their efforts to give to the town of Paris a church building which is an ornament to the town, and a lasting monument to the zeal and generosity of its Catholic inhabitants. At 10-30 His Lordship Bishop Crimon, assisted by the clergy, commenced the ceremony of dedication, and after reciting the different prayers and psalms prescribed by the ritual, High Mass was begun by the Rev. Father Supple, pastor of St. Francis de Sales Church, Bunker Hill, Boston, His Lordship the Bishop being present. (Mayo is sure to be brought into the snarl now-a-days) "it packs up its traps and starts the better—for Ireland and the British Constitution!"

I think I have given enough to prove that Englishmen can be fair; Mr.—"The Right Honorable" John Bright to the contrary notwithstanding. The conduct of this so-called liberal in first seducing the people of Ireland int agitation and when they followed his advice, being ready to place "the irons" on their wrists is simply despicable, and wholly unbecoming the character of a "free born Briton."

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LOCAL NEWS.

Word has come to hand that Mr. George Moorhead died on Thursday in Cincinnati, where he was filling a position as manager of a cabinet manufactory.

Wednesday about noon Mr. William Dunbar, blacksmith, of this city, while crossing York street, at the corner of Clarence, had the misfortune to fall and break the thigh-bone of his leg.

The heating apparatus of a Pullman car exploded lately at the G. T. R. workshops, Brantford. The report was very loud, and many say their houses shook with the explosion. The end of a car and a portion of the roof was blown to pieces. We understand that Mr. Wastie has deci-

Mr. W. J. Thornley Dickson, of Mac- years.

CANADIAN NEWS.

A hired man named McConnell was found on Mr. Elgie's farm, east of Eglin-ton, York county, Wednesday morning, frozen to death. He went after an escaped On Wednesday evening Mr. Oliver McClary was married to Mrs. Fanny Murphy. The ceremony was performed at the Palace by Bishop Walsh.

Mr. Charles Ready, of West Nissouri, has met with a sad bereavement in the death of his son William, who died last week in Michigan, whither he had gone to work in the lumber woods. The disease which carried him of so suddenly was dishther.

Niagara, Feb. 4.—On account of the high west wind prevailing here during the last few days the ice from the Upper Lakes has filled the river here to such an extent that, together with the intense cold We understand that Mr. Wastie has decided to locate his paper mill four miles below the Waterworks, a site much better than the one first spoken of. It is stated that every arrangement has been made for the commencement of operations in the spring.

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The South-Eastern Railway is about to build a new short line from this city to St. John, N. B. This will make St. John the winter port for Montreal goods. The same road is also building a new boat to ferry its cars between Montreal and Longueuil.

At a meeting of the Catholic Club, Mr. T. A. Quinn, its President, delivered an eloquent address on "The Men of '4s," He gave sketches of the lives of Sir Charles Gavan Duffy, John Mitchell and other leaders of the Young Ireland party.

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