

engaged in prayer in one of the rooms of the convent when the ropes of the lustre broke, and the whole weight fell on her head. She was found some time after lying dead on the floor. The deceased was daughter of Baron Lepine.—[Ami de Religion.]

CONVERSION OF THE JEWS.—The Univers relates the baptism of six Jews, in the Chapel of the Neophytes, on Monday last. Seven others were baptised on the feast of the Purification.

ANCIENT SACRED MUSIC OF THE ITALIAN COMPOSERS.—It is well known, says a letter published in La Presse, that many of the churches in the Pontifical States, and especially those of Rome, possess rich collections of works of ancient music, still unedited, many of which belong to some of the most celebrated composers of Italy. The Pope has, consequently, appointed a commission, to examine these collections, and to publish the most eminent of the compositions which they contain, after having transcribed the music into modern characters. This commission, at the head of which is the learned professor, Signor Pietro Alfieri, member of the Pontifical Academy of Fine Arts at St. Luc, has already commenced its labours, and announces the immediate publication of many new works of sacred music by the illustrious Palestrina.

CONVERSIONS.—The number of converts to the Roman Catholic religion from the upper ranks of society, during the last few months, now exceeds 100. Nearly 40 are clergymen.

It is rumoured that the Rev. T. Charles Michael, Fellow of Queen's College, Oxford, has conformed to the Church of Rome.

Mrs. Butler (in religion, Sister Mary John,) died on Tuesday, at the Presentation Convent, Carrick-on-Suir. Mrs. Butler had reached the advanced age of 76 years, and the 29th of her religious profession. She had been blind for the past eight years.

The Princess Theophile, eldest daughter of the Princess Luboonska, took the veil, last week, in Paris.—[Dublin Freeman, Feb. 21.]

DEATH OF THE REV. WM. V. O'GRADY, D. D.—It is with feelings of deep regret we have to announce this death. Dr. O'Grady, the accomplished gentleman, the crude and polished scholar, the exemplary and pious clergyman, the eloquent and popular preacher, and pure and ardent patriot, is no more. This sad event occurred at the Parochial House, St. Andrew's, Westland-row, at 12 o'clock, on Friday se'nnight, in the 31st year of his age and eighth of his missionary labours. He fell a sacrifice to his untiring zeal and unwearied exertions in the sacred duties of his ministry.

The Marquis of Hereford, finding his Catholic tenantry of Virginia, county Cavan, were about to erect a chapel, has given them an elegant site for the purpose, and promises a liberal subscription towards its erection.

SECESSION OF ANOTHER OXFORD DIVINE.—The Rev. J. M. Chanter, M. A., formerly of Oriol College, Oxford, and vicar of Ilfracombe, Devonshire, has followed Mr. Newman's example, by conforming to the Roman Catholic communion. Mr. Chanter is the forty-third member of the University of Oxford who has conformed to the Catholic Church from among the Tractarian party within the last three years.—(London paper.)

The Univers announces that the Pope, at a consistory held at the Vatican on the 19th ult., had elevated to the dignity of cardinal the patriarch of Lisbon, the Archbishop of Naples, and the Archbishop of Aix.

The Roman Catholic chapel in Rook-street, Manchester, has been sold for a large sum, and the proceeds are to be applied towards the erection of a splendid cathedral at Redbank, Salford Bridge.

BIRTHS RECORDED.

AT ST. MARY'S.

- APRIL 4—Mrs Margaret Driscoll, of a Daughter.
 " Mrs Mary Farrell, of a Daughter.
 8—Mrs Mary Wallace, of a Son.
 " Mrs Mary Wallace, of a Daughter.

INTERMENTS.

AT THE CEMETERY OF THE HOLY CROSS.

- APRIL 5—John Millumby, native of Tipperary, aged 62 years.
 8—Mary Ann, daughter of James and Mary Doyle, aged 14 months.
 " Elizabeth, (colored infant,) daughter of Abraham and Ann Provo, aged 21 days.
 9—Harriet, wife of Thomas Carberry, native of Halifax, aged 25 years.

Published by A. J. RITCHIE, No. 2, Upper Water Street, Halifax.
 Terms—FIVE SHILLINGS IN ADVANCE, exclusive of postage.

All communications for the Editors of the Cross are to be addressed (if by letter post paid,) to No. 2, Upper Water street, Halifax.