

consolation we derived from its presence during our forced march from Minsk to Witebsk! To be sure, I found it very heavy, but it was still kinder than heavy. We had thus before our eyes the whole passion of our Lord. Ah! deep, indeed, was the wound of the left shoulder, on which our Saviour rested his cross as he bore it along!* Three of his bones had pierced the skin, and were covered with the blood which saved the world!

To be continued.

*In Germany, and in Slavonic countries, pious Catholics have a particular devotion, the wound which they suppose was inflicted upon our Saviour's shoulder when his persecutors obliged him to carry it up previous to his crucifixion.

A SAILOR'S VOW.—The *Ouisitte*, Capt. Regnault, which lately arrived at Havre, from Haite, while off the Azores, was caught in a hurricane, which carried away all her masts and placed her in the most imminent danger of foundering, and being afterwards for 94 days reduced to the utmost distress for want of provisions, the crew made a vow that if they reached their destined port, they would go in a body to the church and render thanks to God for their deliverance. The solemnity was duly performed on Monday morning. The whole crew, composed of seven men, headed by their captain, all dressed in white pantaloons and shirts, went bareheaded and barefooted to the church of Notre Dame, each carrying a white taper, which, after a service of thanksgiving, they deposited on the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This done, they retired in the same order.—*Galignani's Messenger*.

CONSECRATION OF THE RIGHT REV. DR. MAGINN.

This interesting and most important ceremony of the Catholic Church took place on Sunday last, in the Roman Catholic Cathedral of Londonderry, upon which occasion his Grace Archbishop Croll presided as consecrating prelate, assisted by their Lordships the Bishops of Meath and Clogher, with their Chuplains, Rev Mr Stephens, Raphoe, and Mr M'Bride, Omagh. His Grace the Primate was assisted by the Rev Mr Browne, P P, Strabane. The duty of reading the Bulls devolved upon Rev Mr Devlin, Buncrana. The Right Rev Dr Denvir, and about 45 of the Clergy of Derry, were present during the ceremonies. The front benches of the galleries were filled with respectable Protestants and Presbyterians of the City, who expressed themselves delighted with the impressive and beautiful solemnities of the day. The Rev Dr Murray, of Maynooth College, preached the consecration Sermon; his text was taken from xvi chapter Saint Mathew; 'Thou art Peter, and upon this Rock I will build my Church, and the gates of hell shall

not prevail against it.' At the close of the ceremonies, the newly-consecrated prelate imparted his benediction to the people. Throughout the day the vessels in the harbour were decked out in holiday attire, with flags and streamers gaily floating in the breeze.

THE DINNER.

In the evening Dr Maginn entertained the Bishops and Clergy at a sumptuous banquet, prepared with great elegance and taste, in the Episcopal residence, Pump-street; including among its other luxuries, venison of the first quality. The wines, which were in profusion, comprised Champagne, Claret, Port and Sherry, of the choicest vintage. The following toasts were given from the chair, beautifully and elegantly prefaced by Dr Maginn: 'His Holiness the Pope, the Queen, Daniel O'Connell, his Grace the Primate; the Bishops, Right Rev Dr Cantwell, Right Rev Dr Denvir, and Right Rev Dr McNally. After the distinguished Members of the Hierarchy followed in succession the healths of the Rev Dr Murray, Maynooth College; Rev Mr McGarry, Diocese of Down Connor, Rev Mr O'Neill, Archdeacon and Rev Mr Stephens of Raphoe. The Very Rev the Deans and Clergy of Derry, to which last the Rev Alexander M Carron and the Rev Mr O'Leighlin, adly responded. Then was given the health of the Stewards who so much contributed to the elegance and splendour of the entertainment, after which the company separated. We understand that arrangements are going to be made by the Citizens of Derry to entertain Dr Maginn at a public dinner, a tribute of respect we consider richly merited by so distinguished a dignitary of the Irish Church, whose eminent qualities are so well calculated to throw dignity, honour and lustre around the mitre.

BIRTHS RECORDED.

AT ST. MARY'S.

- MARCH 2—Mrs Ellen Keefe, of a Son.
3—Mrs Catherine Dalton, of a Daughter.
5—Mrs Catherine Browner, of a Daughter.
" Mrs Mary Reddy, of a Daughter.
" Mrs Anne Barron, of a Daughter.
6—Mrs Susan Mackey, of a Daughter.
" Mrs Mary Vaughan, of a Daughter.

INTERMENTS.

AT THE CEMETERY OF THE HOLY CROSS.

- MARCH 3—Lawrence, son of James and Mary Doyle, aged 14 months.
6—Michael Archer, native of Thomastown, Kilkenny, aged 67 years.
" Margaret, daughter of William and Catherine Flynn, aged 3 years and 6 months.

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