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SUMMARY OF NEWS.

SHAME—At least two, if not more, villains broke into the Horticultural Gardens last night, and cut down about 80 valuable ornamental trees, and a large number of Grape and Melon vines. A reward of £50 is offered for the detection of the perpetrators of this most wanton, barbarous offence.—*Hartford Recorder*

Brother against Brother—Smith O'Brien, for whose arrest a reward of 500 pounds has been offered by the Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, has a brother, Sir Lucius O'Brien, in the House of Commons. The brother gave his vote in favour of the Bill for suspending the habeas corpus act, knowing that his brother would be one of its first victims. He spoke on the occasion, "At first I intended to vote against the bill, because it was likely my brother Smith would be one of its first victims. On second thought, however, the prevention of bloodshed has weighed down such a fraternal feeling. Smith O'Brien, my brother must take his chance, I must vote for the bill."

SEVERE STORM—We regret to learn that the heavy blow, which was experienced in this city on Friday night and Saturday morning last, has extended a long distance up the river, and has done very extensive injury to the cane and cotton crops. The advices are as high up as Milliken's Bend, and we learn that above Baton Rouge, the storm amounted almost to a hurricane, and has prostrated entire fields of cotton and cane, for a long distance on both sides of the river. We shall, probably, not know for some days, the full extent of the injury, which has been increased by the torrents of rain that fell at the same time.—*N. O. Bulletin*

The Crops in Canada—The Montreal Herald says that the weather has again become all that the husbandman could desire; but little injury has been done to the grain crops, which, if dry weather prevails for a few days longer, will be safely housed. The Herald states that the potatoes have suffered a great deal from the recent rains, and that the crop will be a very short one. We are glad to say, remarks the Quebec Morning Chronicle, that in as far as the district of Quebec is concerned, the weather during the present month has been all that could be desired for maturing and ripening the crops.

Religious Refugees—There arrived at New Haven, Conn., on Wednesday last, the schooner Golden Hunter, from Porto Rico, twenty-three passengers, Portuguese, who were forced to leave the island of Madeira, some two years since, in consequence of their religion being obnoxious to the laws of that country. It is stated they are of the Presbyterian denomination.

Railroad Bridge—Ground was broken on Monday last on the east side of the river for the abatement of the bridge of the Hartford and Providence Railroad Company across the Connecticut.—*Hartford Courant*

Later from Jamaica—Mr. Adams, late consul to Bogota, has arrived at Baltimore, with dates from Jamaica to the 5th August, by which we learn that the rumor of an insurrection at that place, resulting in the death of 5000 blacks, is unfounded. Mr. Adams left the day of the reported insurrection, and all was then quiet. The strong military forces was triumphant, but the internal affairs of the island were greatly disturbed. Many of the planters were failing, closing their stores, and preparing to abdicate.

Catholic Church Burnt—The Catholic Stone Church, Broadway South Boston, was destroyed by fire on the 7th instant. Supposed to be the work of an incendiary.

European Intelligence.

From papers by the Steamship Hibernia.
The Emigrating Highlanders—On Wednesday afternoon the ship Lutan, for North America, left Glasgow, having on board the whole remaining portion of the Highlanders from South Uist, to whom reference has been made more than once in our columns. The vessel was cleared out by Lieut. Forrest, who saw the emigrants safely on board, to the number of 120—men, women, and children. They were all in good health and spirits, and seem to have suffered little from their detention in Glasgow for the last fortnight. In that time one death has occurred, that of an infant about six months; but as one of the females was delivered of a fine healthy child about a week ago, their numbers are again equal to what they were when they landed from South Uist.—*Glasgow Courier*, Aug 19

IRELAND.

The accounts from all parts of Ireland respecting the potato crop fill us with the deepest alarm and apprehension. In the southern counties the disease has exhibited itself in the most unmistakable form in almost every locality. Ill-fated Scibbereen seems threatened with fresh calamities, the destruction in that quarter being most extensive. It is of course premature to assert that the crop of potatoes throughout Ireland is irrevocably lost; fine dry weather may retrieve an immense portion of the crop now in jeopardy. Nevertheless all the accounts which have reached us from Ireland, including not only the southern divisions of Munster, Leinster, and Connaught, but extending also into Ulster, as far as Monaghan, Armagh, and even to Antrim, attest the universality of the danger. It is generally admitted, however, that a greater breadth of potatoes has been planted this season than in any previous year, which may materially affect the result. Nevertheless, it is feared that the destruction will be of an extensive and alarming character.

Government Retrenchment. We understand that it is the intention of the Lords of the Treasury to place the business of the Stamps and Taxes under the Board of Excise, by which arrangement the salaries of a Chairman, Deputy-Chairman, and Commissioners, will be saved to the public purse.

Papal Rescript—A rescript by his Holiness the Pope has recently been received here, appointing the Right Rev. Dr. Walshe, the present bishop of the midland district, to be Archbishop of Westminster; and the Right Rev. Dr. Wiseman to be coadjutor Archbishop. In consequence of the advanced age of Dr. Walshe, the active duties of the district will devolve upon his right rev. coadjutor. The same document gives, we understand, the appointment of Bishop of Birmingham (a new creation) to the Right Rev. Dr. Ullathorne, lately officiating as bishop of the western district.

Death of Sir Robert Chester—We regret to have to record the decease of Sir Robert Chester, the late master of ceremonies to the Queen and the three preceding Sovereigns. He died on Saturday morning, at his residence, St. John's Wood after an illness of some months' duration, at the advanced age of eighty years. He was the eldest son of Mr. Robert Chester, and last survivor of the younger branch of the Chesters of Ropston and Cokenhatch, Herts. In 1815 he was promoted to the office of master of the ceremonies, when he received the honor of knighthood, and he continued to discharge the duties of that office up to the spring of last year, when he resigned, from his increasing years and consequent infirmities, and was succeeded by the Hon. Sir Edward Buxton.—*Globe*

Squadron of Exercise—The disturbances in Ireland being sufficiently quelled to admit

of the withdrawal of some of the ships upon the coast, the Admiralty have issued orders to Rear-Admiral Sir Charles Napier to take under his command the ships and vessels comprising the intended squadron of exercise placed under his orders prior to leaving Shiphead, and proceeded with them on a cruise to try their qualities of sailing, manœuvring, &c.

The "Eschara"—The Steam Ship Europa, Capt. Lott, reached Coburg Dock, Liverpool at one o'clock, a. m., on Sunday, the 20th instant, having made the entire run from Boston, including her detention at Halifax, in ten days and eight hours, deducting the difference of time, being the shortest passage ever made across the Atlantic.

BOMBARDMENT OF BOLOGNA.

The most important foreign intelligence received this morning is an account, brought by the Italian journals, of a conflict between the Austrian troops and the Bolognese, in which the former were repulsed; but they subsequently received reinforcements, and bombarded the city. The facts are said to be these. The Austrian General on the 8th inst., laid a heavy contribution upon Bologna, and to secure its payment required hostages. This demand gave great offence—the people resisted, and the tocsin was sounded. A dreadful conflict, we are told, ensued; but the details are not given. The Bolognese, however, captured 27 of the enemy's troops, and drove the main force out of the city. Shortly afterwards the Austrians returned, and commenced bombarding the town; two of the palaces were soon in flames, and the faubourg pillaged and burned. The Austrians lost 40 men killed and 50 prisoners; the Bolognese 15 killed and wounded.—*London Standard*

Special Commission—It is generally reported, that there will be a special commission in this town on the 9th of Sept. for the trial of Messrs W. S. O'Brien, Meagher, &c.—*Tiptary Free Press*

A Dublin paper says, that Mr. Whiteside, Q.C. has been retained for the defence of Mr. Smith O'Brien.

Execution at Moryborough—Patrick Price, who was only twenty years of age, was convicted at the late assizes held for the Queen's county, for the murder of John Mahon, at Loughteague in that county, on Sunday the 7th day of March 1847. At about half-past eleven o'clock on the 17th inst. a hundred of the constabulary, with the detachment of the 71st regiment quartered here, were drawn up in front of the jail. There were about a thousand persons collected to witness the execution. At twelve o'clock, the convict walked out on the drop with a firm step, and apparently self-possessed. He came to the front, and spoke in a distinct voice; he implored the people to pray for him, and repeatedly exclaimed—"Lord have mercy on my soul!" He told them to shun bad company, to pay attention to the advice of their pastors; if they did not, they would rue it. He also cautioned them against party business. In an instant he was launched into eternity, and died without any struggle.—*Dublin paper*

Murder at Enniskean—We have been informed, that on Saturday night, about eleven o'clock, a barbarous murder was committed on the person of a Mr. Leahy, an Irish school instructor, while returning from Enniskean fair, held on that day. He was struck on the head with a large stone, by some unknown person, and killed on the spot. Nine persons have been taken up on suspicion.—*Cork Reporter*

Mr. Brougham, a nephew of Lord Brougham's, has been appointed by the Lord Chancellor, Registrar to Mr. Sergeant Ludlow's Bankruptcy Court, vacant by the death of Charles Thompson, Esq.

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