

REST. BY PATRICK RYAN. My feet are weary, and my hands are tired— My soul oppressed— And with desire have long desired— Rest—only rest.

My way has wound across the desert years, And through the flowing of hot tears I pined for rest.

A TOUCHING STORY ON GEORGE WASHINGTON'S BOYHOOD. BY MARK TWAIN. If it please your neighbour to break the sacred calm of night with the snoring of an unholy trombone, it is your duty to put up with his wretched music, and your privilege to pity him for the unhappy instinct that moves him to delight in such discordant sounds.

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undulterated, save by a few discords that rather improved the general effect than otherwise. But the very first time I tried the variations the boards mutinied.

I went to board at Mrs. Murphy's, an Italian lady of many qualities. The very first time I struck up the variations, a haggard, careworn, cadaverous old man walked into my room and cadaverously upon me a smile of ineffable happiness.

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Still, I derived some little benefit from that accordion; for while I continued to practice on it, I never had to pay any board—landlords were always willing to compromise, on my leaving before the month was up.

A PROPHECY FULFILLED. MR. JUSTICE KEOGH'S INSANITY PREDICTED MORE THAN TWENTY YEARS AGO—WHAT HIS MAD UNCLE SAID.

The insanity of Mr. Justice Keogh and his attempt to murder his registrar and servant recall an extraordinary speech made in 1852 by his uncle, Mr. James Kelly, of Swinford, County Mayo, Ireland, which created some excitement at the time.

Mr. CHAIRMAN AND GENTLEMEN: Who am I? What am I? What is my family? Who are the Kells, of Swinford? Let me tell you briefly.

After I had been playing 'Auld Lang Syne' about a week, I had the vanity to think I could improve the original melody, and I set about adding some little flourishes and variations to it, but with rather indifferent success.

May the plagues of heaven consume him, and all the torments of hell pursue him now and hereafter. Gentlemen I am not a prophet, but I am the son—the mad son, if you will—of a prophetess.

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Charles H. Berking testified that he resided in Newark, N. J.; he had known deceased for six years; he had been in the employ of Mr. Berking as salesman in St. Louis, Mo., where the business of witness is located; on the 25th ult. deceased came to this city on business for the firm; Mr. Berking keeps an office at No. 139 Duane street, but the head establishment is at No. 4 Vine street, St. Louis; deceased had called at Mr. Berking's office on last Saturday morning and was to have reported again last Monday, but failed to do so; witness called at Schuler's hotel at eleven o'clock yesterday, and sent up his card; about five minutes afterwards the report of a pistol was heard, and it was discovered that deceased had shot himself.

THE FEVER—THE SISTERS OF MERCY DEMAND ASSISTANCE. NEW ORLEANS, September 7.—Collector Smith received a communication which stated that the St. Vincent Infant Asylum is in a very sad condition.

VIENNA, September 8.—It is estimated that 2,500 are sick with fever. Fever increasing. The fever at Greenview continues to increase. At Grenada the virulence of the fever surpasses experience.

CINCINNATI, September 7.—A prominent business man just returned from New Orleans describes the situation as sorrowful in the extreme. On the trip down, at Arkansas City, men stood on the banks threatening to shoot if an attempt was made to land.

PLEASANT THINGS IN CYPRUS.—The correspondent of the Standard says of the snakes in Cyprus:—There are four species of them, and two are of the deadliest type. These are the *cofa*, which is ground-coloured, some two-and-a-half feet long on an average, and with a sharp pointed head and a belly streaked with white.

CATHOLIC INTELLIGENCE.

A letter from Honolulu states that during Holy Week, and subsequently, hundreds of natives professing Protestantism or paganism have been converted to the Catholic faith by the French Missionaries.

CATHOLIC GRIEVANCES IN SYRIA.—The leading men of the Maronites have forwarded to the embassies of the Christian Powers at Constantinople, a memorial setting forth the terrible maladministration under which their country groans, and praying for an enquiry into the imprisonment of their Bishop and their other grievances.

SPANISH PILGRIMAGE TO ROME.—The *Universes* prints the text of an address by the Apostolic Nuncio at Madrid to the President of the Catholic Young Men's Society at Barcelona, encouraging the Catholic youth of Spain to organize a pilgrimage to Rome to testify their loyal veneration for the august Head of the Church.

CENTRAL AFRICAN MISSIONS.—Letters have been received by Mgr. Laguerie, Archbishop of Algiers, from the missionaries who left Bagamoyo for the interior last June. Pere Charmetant's letters are especially interesting, as they furnish many details respecting the organization of the expedition, which on reaching Unyamwezi will be divided into two caravans, the one destined for Ujiji, and the other for the Nyanzas.

THE LAZARIST FATHERS.—The Imman steamer, City of Chester, brought among her passengers from New York the Very Rev. James Rolando, Visitor of the Congregation of the Mission in the United States; Rev. B. J. Fitzgerald, C. M., Vice-Superior and Master of Novices at St. Vincent's Seminary, Germantown, Pennsylvania; Rev. Joseph Ginstanski, C. M., for nearly twenty-four years pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Baltimore, Maryland; and Rev. Thomas Smith, C. M., of St. Louis. These gentlemen have come to Europe to take part in the election of a new Superior General, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of the Very Rev. Eugene Bore.

FRENCH PILGRIMAGES.—On Tuesday, the 10th of September next, there will take place a grand pilgrimage to Our Lady of Soan, in the diocese of Nancy. The solemnities, over which the Archbishop of Besancon and Bishop Grandin, O. M. I., will preside—will not yield in magnificence to those celebrated on the 'holy hill,' on a similar occasion, five years ago. The Archbishop of Besancon has also addressed a letter to his clergy announcing for the 3rd of September, a diocesan pilgrimage to Faverney, in commemoration of the Eucharistic miracle which took place in that parish on that day two hundred and seventy years ago.

MIRACULOUS CURE IN CEYLON.—A correspondent sends to the *Irish Catholic Guardian* (Ceylon) the following account of a 'miracle' which occurred there on the 4th inst., on the occasion of the Feast of St. Sebastian, which is deserving of mention:—A deaf mute, born of non-Catholic parents at Mannipally, a close relative of the Kacheerri shroff, about twelve years of age, after having been allowed to remain for a couple of hours tied to a cross erected in front of the celebrated shrine, was able to hear and to repeat the words father, mother, &c., for the first time in her life.

A correspondent of the *Sun*, writing from Grenada, Mississippi, on the 19th inst., after giving a vivid description of the terrible condition that plague stricken town, says:—I cannot omit mentioning the heroism of the Sisters of Charity. Their ministrations are tireless; their temper is never ruffled in the least by sleepless nights, spare diet, and constantly attending to the petish demands of the sick and witnessing the agonies of the dying.

MARRIAGE CEREMONIES PERFORMED FREE OF CHARGE.—The sign displayed by an Ohio justice. He keeps a tavern and is satisfied with the profit on what the bridal parties eat and drink. The repast is not, however, thrown in with the ceremony.

SCOTCH INTOLERANCE.—A meeting has been held in Glasgow 'to petition the magistrates to enforce the law against begging by nuns.' Mr. George Hay, of the Glasgow Protestant Missionary Society, presided, and in opening the proceedings, quoted from the Glasgow Police Act, 1866, the clauses prohibiting the soliciting of alms. He thereafter argued that the practice of begging by 'sisters of mercy' was a contravention of the act.

IRISH NEWS.

At the Belfast Petty Sessions, on Friday August 7, Matilda Fry, publican, York street, was summoned at the suit of the constabulary for allowing an orange arch to be displayed from her premises on the 12th of July last.

A FATAL RELIGIOUS QUARREL IN A RAILWAY CARRIAGE.—A disturbance has taken place between some Catholics and Protestants travelling in a railway train from Newry. In the melee which ensued a Protestant named Gough was shot dead.

THE EXECUTIONER OF ROBERT EMMET.—An old fellow named Barney Moran, who died recently in the workhouse at Ballina, revealed to the chaplain before his death that he was the executioner of Robert Emmet.

There is great rejoicing at Mitchellstown, County Cork, on the news of the intended release of Condon. The shops closed early, and a general illumination took place. The streets were thronged with a jubilant crowd.

CONSTABULARY.—COMPLIMENT TO A CONSTABLE.—At the last meeting of the Tipperary Town Commissioners, the chairman, before commencing the regular business, remarked upon the efficient and meritorious services rendered to the town by Constable John Shanley in the preservation of the peace and suppression of crime.

THE LATE RIGHT HON. ALEXANDER M'DONNELL.—A fine statue in marble of the late Right Hon. Sir Alexander M'Donnell, Resident Commissioner of National Education in Ireland, was unveiled yesterday in the Tyrone lawn in front of the Model Schools that stand upon the lawn.

EXCITING SCENE BETWEEN A JUDGE AND A CONSTABLE.—Exciting exchanges occurred on 5th August in court between Vice-Chancellor Mallins and Mr. Glasse, senior counsel of the court. The Herne Bay Waterworks petition was called for hearing, when the judge suggested that the case stand to the November Sessions.

THE SUNDAY CLOSING BILL.—We are all glad that the Sunday closing is at last in the way of being removed from the field of controversy, at least *pro tem*. It has carried through the House of Commons, mainly by the tact, ability and perseverance of the O'Connor Don, and the vigorous band of adherents who cling to him, and to the cause.

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have removed that stigma which so long attached to our town. Additional or extra police force will not now be necessary, as the forces of all our disturbances—processions and band-playing—have been removed.

OUR PERILS AND RESPONSIBILITIES IN ASIA MINOR.

Responsibilities (says the *Pall Mall Gazette*) is only half the name of the burden which falls to England's share after the conquest and partition of Turkey. What we have to face in Asia Minor are perils and responsibilities, the latter existing only as the necessary outcome of the former.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

It is stated that Herr Rodowicz will come to Home shortly to renew relations between Germany and the Vatican.

A Vienna despatch says that Austria informed the Porte that it is desirable the occupation shall extend to Metrovitza.

A Paris correspondent states that Lord Salisbury comes to Paris to ascertain how France would regard the more direct intervention of England in Turkish affairs.

The *Italia* says there is a report current at the Vatican that Bismarck deferred concluding an agreement with the Pope, as he is desirous of ascertaining the views of the newly-elected Parliament.

INCREASE OF IMMORALITY IN GERMANY.—The *Nord Deutscher Zeitung* states that the sale of immoral and obscene books and pictures at railway stations in North Germany has increased to such an enormous extent, that it was necessary to adopt immediate and stringent measures for the repression of an evil which has become a scandal and a disgrace to the whole country.

REMOVED UNEASINESS BETWEEN FRANCE AND SPAIN.—There is mention in some of the Spanish papers of an intention on the part of the Government to fortify certain places on the French frontier, a part of the country which has never betrayed any realist proclivities.

THE COMPTE DE CHAMBORD.—The French papers publish a letter lately addressed by His Royal Highness the Comte de Chambord to Count Anstole de Beaumont d'Autichamp, on the occasion of the death of his father-in-law, the Vicomte Janvier de Bernay. The letter, which is signed 'Henry,' speaks as follows:—'I have reached a very great age, notwithstanding the amazing strength of his constitution, must have been evident to all who knew him. I am, however, none the less painfully affected at the death of an old servant whom I so highly esteemed.