Mrs. Patterson also reports an average monthly increase in the Female Department, of nine pupils, which she ascribes partly to a special visitation of those parents whose children had absented themselves from the school for a time; and partly to the permanent establishment of a distinct female Junior Division. Mrs. Patterson adds that the attendance diminished considerably after March, and especially in June, owing, she thinks, to the Fenian excitement.

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Mr. Coyne reports a considerable falling off among the elder pupils in his Department. For this he accounts by the statement that "many families have left the city for employment, and those who have taken their houses have either no children, or those they have are too young to send, or consist entirely of girls." "Several in this neighbourhood," he observes, "who formerly sent their children to the school, have now no boys to send;" of whom he enumerates some twelve or more. Again, he says, "boys from twelve years old and upwards are employed in stores, factories, or in any other remunerative employment they can find." Of these Mr. Coyne enumerates several whom he knows.

Miss Churchill says, with respect to the Female Departof the same school, that the diminished comparative attendance was most remarkable in the months of May and June. This she attributes to the Fenian excitement then prevailing; and accounts for the general diminution by the pressure which the working classes have laboured under of late, who some pare usual from

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