## CATHOLIC INTELLIGENCE.

PROMOTION OF THE VERY B. O'HAGAN. -The Rev B. O'Hagan adm. has been promoted to the parish Tuliylish, near Gilford, by Dr. Leahy, the Bishop of Dromore. Vlater Examiner.

CONVERSION. The London Moining Postannounces the conversion to Catholicity of the Rev. F. B. Lord, rector of the important living of Farmborough, near Bath, and the Rev. Alexander Melbourne, M. the concented, and soon the time see A:

DR. HAHNE.—The administrator of the diocese of Fulda is now being prosecuted, "for not having prevented" a parish priest from an "illegal usurpation of functions. One, by one all the episcopal authorities are being driven out of Prusia, so far as the State is able to banish them!

CONFIRMATION AT VEOUGRGALL.—His. Grace the Primate of all Ireland held a Confirmation in the Catholic Church, parish of Loughgall, County Armsgb, on the 18th ult. There were a very large number of young people present, who were confirmed.

AUSTRIAN CARDINALS.—It has been announced that the Prince Archbishop of Vienna, Mgr. Kutschker, and the Archbishop of Agram, Mgr. Mihalovic, are immediately to be raised to the purple. It is confidently reported that the aged Archbishop of Goritz, and Gradisca in Illyria, Mgr. Gollmayr, will be similarly honoured.

Moravia -The Pope's Jubilee was celebrated throughout the whole country, besides the religious functions, with festive assemblies, bonfires along the mountains, music, illuminations, flags, and decorations, and the despatch of several telegrams to Rome. Care was taken—so different from what happened in Bohemia—that slavs and Germans should be united in the celebration. The Moravian slave have fortunately no wicked men among them to set them to look on the Holv Father as an enemy to the Slavonic race, because he has condemned the cruelties of Russia.

THE INISH COLLEGE, ROME.-A solemn Thanksgiving Mass for the safe arrival of the Canadian pilgrims was celebrated on Sunday, June the 17th, in the Church of the Irish College. Dr. O'Mahony, Bishop of Armidale, pontificated, and the assistant priest was the Very Rev. Dr. James Maher Vice Rector of the Irish College. After Mass Monsignor Kirly entertained at dinner the Rev. Father Dowd. the conductor of the Canadian pilgrims, the Mayor of Cork, Alderman Hagarty, Archbishop Wood, the the Archbishop of Buenos Ayres, Dr. McConcmy, Mr. Reardon, ex M.P., Dean Neville, Mr. O'-Sullivan, other members of the Canadian and Munster Deputations, and the Provincial of the Irish Dominicans.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY .- There is a great want throughout several districts in the east of the kingdom of Prussia, amounting in several places to absolute famine. Typhus has naturally appeared on the scene. The Germania publishes extracts from a pitiable private letter from a Sister of Charity at the hospital at Kattowitz, in Upper Silesia. The terrible state of things in which this Sister is striving to do her best, may be judged from the fact that her chief request is for some clothes or old linen, in which they may wrap the hodies of the dead, as hitherto they have been obliged to inter them naked! All their resources seem to be extansted, and the Germania appeals to the charitable to come to the Assistance of those " Angels of Mercy."

THE JESUITS-The Rev. Fathers of the Society of Church, Jefferson avenue, Detroit. Rev. Father Miege, S. J., for twenty-four years Vicar Apostolic of Kausas, the Pastor, is assisted by Rev. Brady, S. J., of Cincinnati, and Rev. Walshe, of Milwaukee. The Fathers opened their pastoral labors with a triduum in honor of the Sacred heart of Jesns, which began on Tuesday evening, June 12th. A day college for the higher education of our Catholic youth will be opened by the Rev. Fathers in September, when some scholastics will be sent to take charge of the classes. We doubt not but their old motto A. M. D. G. "All for the greater glory of God," will prove true here, as it has where the sons of St. Ignatius worked. May their efforts for the salvation of souls be crowned with ample

EASTERN DISTRICT OF SCHLAND -A three week's mission at Bathgate, given by the Redemptorist Fathers of Kinnoul, Perth, was closed on Sunday the 18th ult There were three closing services during the day, and the church was crowded each time. Over 1,500 persons approached the Sacrament. Of this number more than 300 were children. Archbishop Eyre gave the sacrament of Confirmation to 200, many of them adults. There was also a demonstration in honour of the Pope. The Temperance confinternity in honour of the "Sacred Thirst," which was instituted, with the Pope's ap proval, by the late Father Kelly, S. J., of Dublin, was established at Bathgate last year. Before the mission its numbers were 500; they have now the whole congregation in their ranks. --- In Blackburn, a mining village, three miles from Bathgate, Mass was celebrated on Sunday for the first time since the Reformation. 300 persons were present, and there were nearly 100 communicants. The energetic pastor, Father Carroll, is going to open a school there soon.

MUNSTER'S [IRELAND] DEPUTATION TO THE POPE -Special mention must be made of the deputation from Munster which had an audience on the 15th ult. The event derived a particular importance from the fact that Mr. Sheehan, Mayor of Cork, and Alderman Hagarty of the same city, appeared in their civic robes. The Very Rev. Canon Neville, of Cork, was one of the party. All were formally presented by Mgr. Kirby, Rector of the Irish College at Rome Canon Neville read the adiress, and asked the acceptance of £10,000 which had been subscribed by a public meeting of the province as a mark of affection and loyalty. The Pontiff, in making acknowledgment, said be was pleased to meet with Irishmen, and paid a tribute to the constant fidelity of the Irish people to the See of St. Peter. Much of the strength of the faith in that country b; attributed to the harmony and earnestness of the episcopacy through multitudinous trials. and he felt confident that the spirit which bad ever characterised that body would abide to the

THE CANADIAN PILGRIMS -Father Nugent of Liver pool has received a letter from Father Dowd, dated Rome, in the course of which the rev. gentleman says :- " We had our audience with the Holy Father, yesterday (June 15th), at about one o'clock. After the usual demand for the ordinary Apostolical Benediction, I took the liberty of asking a special benediction for the Catholics of Liverpool, on account of the love they manifested for our great Pontiff in receiving his pilgrims, on their landing, with so much kindness, and such marked enthusiasm. I need not tell you that the fatherly heart of Pius IX, poured out an abundant blessing upon them all from your good bishop, who gave his church, for acts of thanksgiving, down to the humblest of the faithful. Will you please take some means of communicating this consoling news to the warm-hearted and faithful Catholics of Liverpool? For my part, I now feel relieved of a part of the debt of gratitude I owed to the Catholics of Liverpool but only of a part; I shall still feel myself in possession of the owner; purchased by Mr. Jouss, under an obligation not to forget them in my poor land of the forget them in my poor provers. "All our pilgrims feel as I do in their representation of the owner, containing 6 acres or theregard; and many a fewent prayer, was offered for the containing 6 acres or theregard; and many a fewent prayer, was offered for the containing 6 acres or theregard; and many a fewent prayer, was offered for the containing 6 acres or theregard; and provides on the favourite shrine of abouts, statute measure, three of which are laid abouts. The friends I was to the effect that the gold content of the learn of the learn of the large of the learn of the large of the la Mary of Lourdes, where we spent nearly two days by Mr. McNamara, solicitor.

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IRISH NEWS.

THE REPRESENTATION OF DUNGARVAN .- Mr. Henry Matthews, Q.C., Conservative, and Mr. Francis Hugh O'Bonnell, Home Ruler, have been put in nomination as candidates for this borough.

THE TRISH LAND ACT. Dr. Hancock and Mr. M.Donnell, Registrars in the Landed Estates Court, have given highly, important evidence before the Select Committee on the Bright Clauses of the Land Act. in the stabilization decided

. VALUE OF LAND IN WESTMEATH. - Recently a form containing 15 acres of land, inferior quality, situate near Mullingar, sold for £210 exclusive of five per cent, auction fees. The lands are subject to £16 a year rent, and are only held for a lease of one life.

THE RELEASED CONVICT DAVITT .- It is some consolation to know that the Government have at last made up their mind to release poor Davitt. The efforts of O'Connor Power and other Irish members have at last, it is fondly hoped, been crowned with Buccess.

A MUSCULAR MAGISTRATE .- Mr. William Ancketill, a dog-killing magistrate of County Monaghan. and a well-known Orangeman, was recently amerced in £600 damages for an assault on William Hawks, a commission agent of Cork. Mr. Hawks had his leg broken.

HOME RULE AT NEWRY .- On the 11th ult., at Newry, an association was formed to advance the Home Rule movement, and to improve the popular. representation on the Municipal and Poor Law Boards: A large Provisional Committee was appointed to carry out these objects.

CENTENARIANS-The Irish Registrar-General, in his report for the first quarter of the present year, records the deaths of twenty-two centenarians. A woman at Bantry was over 107, and had 64 lineal descendants in Ireland, and several more in America Laurence Dooly, of Roscrea, was 105 when he died. He was taken prisoner at Corunna, while campaigning in Spain, and was fighting when Sir John Moore was killed.

THE BUTT TESTIMONIAL IN THE DIOCESE OF DERRY -The priests and people of Moville have forwarded the sum of £17 18 5d to the Butt Testimonial Fund. This is the only parish in the diocese of Derry, so far, has yet recognised the Butt Testimonial, and it is yet to be hoped, now that a beginning has been so creditably made, the other parishes throughout that large diocese will imitate the example.

SILYER JUBILEE.—The Very Rev. Dean MacManus will soon complete his silver jubilee as parish priest of Clifden, and his admirers contemplate presenting him with a testimonial. It ought not to be forgotten that this veteran priest has been engaged all through his clerical life in fighting the wealthy Irish Church Missions, and the best testimony to his uprightness and worth is discovered in the fact that the leading subscribers are liberal Protestants.

ARDGLASS HERRING FISHERY .- The fishing season has commenced at Ardglass, and has so far been highly satisfactory. About ninety boats have arrived at the station. The average quantity caught during the week has been from two to three mease per boat, the fish being large and of excellent quality. There was a brisk demand for the herrings each day, at from 35s to 40s a mease. The retail price in Downpatrick on Friday was 1s per dozen. →Down Recorder.

SALE OF HOUSE PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF BERRY. -On the 21st ult., at the Chamber of Commerce Salerooms, Castle Street, Derry, Mr. William Dale Jesus have taken charge of Sts. Peter and Paul's | put up for sale four houses in Hawkins Street, numbered respectively 26, 28, 30, and 32, held under Mr. William F. Bigger, J.P., at the yearly rent of £30, and producing a net profit rent of £88 per an num. The competition was very spirited, the highest biddings being—Mr. J. H. Bible, £1,085; Mr C. M'Nulty, £1,235 (highest bid); Mr. Joseph Roulston, £1,120; Mr. J. Joyce, £900; Mr. T. S. Marce, £1,230; Mr. W. T. Rowan, solicitor, £1. 065; Mr. P. M'Mahon, £1,150; Mr. C. M'Nulty was declared the purchaser at the sum of £1,235. Mr. Thomas Bradford, solicitor, had carriage of the

> THE WOOL TRADE IN DROGHEDA.—The wool trade in Diogheda has been in a very stagnant state for the past few months. The price of selected wool is now from about 131d to 141d per lb, black wool being generally from 1d to 2d per lb. dearer. Mr. Thomas Elcock, P.L.G., proprietor of the Dowth Wool Stores, Drogheda, who is the only buyer of mark in the Drogheda district, is at present fully engaged. The cause of this stagnancy is chiefly due to the cheapness of cotton, and the great and increasing importation of Australian wool. In Australia, it is worthy of notice, that the people of that country are improving the breed of sheep, and consequently enhancing the quality and selling value of the wool. The weather being now wet and inclement, it should be a matter of importance and deep concern to the grower to have the wool sufficiently clear and dried for market, as thereby it commands a higher price and much readier sale.—

THE WATERFORD ELECTION.—The nomination of candidates for the representation of the borough of Dungarvan in Parliament took place on the 20th ult. There were only two candidates proposed-Mr. F. H. O'Dennell, Home Ruler, and Mr. Henry Mathews, Conservative. Mr. Mathews was defeated by the Home Rule candidate at the last election by 131 votes against 115. He has recommended himself to the electors this time by calling Home Rule "a dead horse," Notwithstanding his former connection with the town, there is no fear of his being preferred to Mr. O'Donnell, who, if locally a stranger, is well known for his labours and sacrifices in the National cause. The population of Dungarvan is 7,753. There are only 240 Protestants of all denominations in the town; and the constitu-ency consists of 340 electors. Sheil sat for Dungarvan, as did also Maguire. The present Judge Barry was returned in 1865, defeating Mr. Palleser a Conservative; but he was himself defeated in 1868 by Mr. Mathews, who now, we have no doubt, will be got rid of for good by the election of Mr. O'Donnell.

SALE OF LAND IN ENNIS -On June 6th, a large assemblage crowded the auction rooms of Mr. Richard Pearson, Ennis, to compete for four divisions of land in the county of Clare, offered for sale under Encumbered Estates title by the present holder, Mr. Patrick Tuohy, of Ballycoree. They were put up in separate lots, and the competition was brisk and spirited. Lot 1-Part of the land of Ranahan, with the dwelling-house and offices thereon, containing 132 acres or thereabouts, statute measure, in the occupation of one tenant, under lease for thirty years, from 1st of November, 1876, at the yearly rent of £50; purchased by Mr. Thomas Rehan for £695. Lot 2-Remainder of the said lands of Ranahan, containing 132 acres or thereabouts, statute measure, in the possession of the owners: These lands are well watered, bounded on one side by Lough George, in which there is excellent trout fishing. They are situate in the parish of Ruhn, barony of Inchiquin, within three miles of Corofin, nine of Gort, and eight of Ennis-all market towns; purchased by Mr. Michael Mahon for 1,0351. Lot 3 Part of the lands of Liscultane, called Gragleigh, containing 45 acres or thereabouts, statute measure, Studdert for 1,3451. Lot 4-Remainder of the said

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WAR NEWS. QUARTER OR NO QUARTER.—The Porte officially

give no quarter to Roumanian soldiers. THAT BRITISH FLEET.—The Russian Telegraphic Agency states that the British fleet has gone to Besika Bay for fear of disorders at Constantin-

denies that Turkish generals have issued orders to

SULEMAN GOING HOME.—A despatch from Pera says :- "Suleiman Pacha is coming here immediately from Montenegro, having completed his share in the campaign there. The troops are also leaving."

BISMARCK'S MOVEMENT'S. - A Vienna despatch says :- "Prince Bismarck and Count Andrassy will accompany their respective sovereigns at the meeting probably to be held at Gastien."

BULGARIAN VENGRANCE,—A despatch from Sigtors says that after the departure of the Turks every Turkish house in Sistova was sacked and utterly wrecked by the Bulgarian residents. TLE PORTE WANTS TO KNOW .- A Pera special as-

serts that the Porte has intimated that it expects

the English Cabinet will explain to the signaturies

of the Treaty of Paris the object of a fleet being sent SEVERE RUSSIAN LOSS .- A correspondent at Zewin telegraphs that in the battle on the 29th ult. the Russians retired after enormous losses. The Turks

was below five hundred A Mosley Dignitary Dead,-A despatch from Constantinople says the Grand Sheriff of Mecca is dead. Whether the loss of his treasures which had been given to defray the expenses of the holy war had anything to do with his demise or not remains

vet to be seen.

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BULGARIA DECLARED INDEPENDENT.-The N. 1 Herald correspondent states that it is announced in the Turkish War Office that the Czar has issued a proclamation formally declaring the independence of Bulgaria. This is the sequel to the call for all able-bodied Bulgarians to present themselves at the Russian camps for the purpose of being organized for purposes of self-defence.

WHAT DONS SERVIA MEAN .- The Political Correpondence's (of Vienna) special from Belgrade says so far Servia has not mobilized a single battalion. It is stated, however, that the Minister of War will ask the consent of the Chamber to a measure raising the standing army to 20,000. It is also reported that an issue of paper money having a forced currency is contemplated.

Notes From Asia. -- Advices from Turkish sources state that the Russian left wing is retreating in disorder in the direction of Bajazid. Faick Pacha, from Van, threatens their line of retreat north of Bajazid. Mukhtar and Moussa pachas are within twelve miles of Kars. Three battslions of the Imperial Guard have reached Erzeroum from Trebizond.

EFFECT OF DISASTERS .- A Paris correspondent says according to intelligence from a high source the Russian army at Batoum, after several engagements, has been broken up. The fragments are rctreating in different directions, and the army beseiging Kars is left uncovered in consequence of the disaster at Batoum. Although it has not yet raised the siege, it is taking measures to do so if its situation becomes more imperilled.

PREPARING FOR EVENTUALITIES .- A Constantinople correspondent states that an extraordinary council was held at the Palace on Monday, the Sultan presiding, to consider measures necessary in consequence of the crossing of the Danube and to prepare for possible hostilities on the part of Servia and Greece. Mehemet Ali Pacha was appointed to the command of the army on the Thessalian frontier. Constantinople is quiet, the populace being apparently unmoved by the news of the passageof the Danube. The advance of the Russians across the Danube seems to have aroused the official world in Constantin ple. All the available troops have been ordered to the seat of war.

The Situation in Asia.—The report that the siege of Kars has been raised is at least premature, but the defeat of the Russian field armies of the left and centre and of the investing force before Batoum is beyond question, and altogether is likely to interfere with operations against Kars. The latest Turkish news about Kars is that the bombardment has been materially slackened. Judging from discon-nected bulletins, both Russian and Turkish, it looks as if General Tergukasoff's column (the Russians' left) is endeavoring to reach Kagysman, either to gain a fresh line of communication in place of the one via Bajazid, which is in the hands of the Kurds, or to unite with Melikoff's command and abandon the attempt to flank Erzeroum via the Euphrates

FATE OF THE TURKISH GUNBOATS .- Of eighteen gunboats and monitors which were on the Danube nt the commencement of the war, six are in a small bay near Sulina, two have been destroyed, three or four are water-bound near Matchin, two at Silistria. one at Turtukai, two at Rustchuk and one at Nicopolis. The latter is reported surrounded by torpe does and helpless All on the Danube will fall into the hands of the Russians unless destroyed. A Vienua despatch has the following:-"It is said the Czar will return to St. Petersburg with the Czarewitch very shortly, some say within a few days. At Graja the construction of a bridge to the Bulgarian shore is being very actively carried on. The Turks at Widdin are very watchful."

RUSSIAN REVERSES .- The Standard has the following despatch from Constantinople :- "Since the 16th of June the Russians have been defeated five times. It is believed they lost 10,000 men on June 30. Their wounded filled 800 wagons. The garrison of Kars made a sortie on Sunday and reopened communication with Mukhtar Pachs. The siege of Kars must be raised, if it is not already, as the investing army must go to the relief of the left wing : otherwise the latter will be destroyed. The Russian officers suffered severely, and five of high rank were killed." Both sides seem to have shown great bravery. The Russian troops, after losing positions one after another, were after a time rallied by their chiefs. This explains why twenty general officers are mentioned as killed or wounded. It is believed that the Turks also suffered heavily, as they do not seem to have followed up successes with the rapidity which might have been expected.

SIEGE OF KARS BEING RAISED IS DENIED.—St. Petersburg despatches deny that the siege of Kars has been raised. The government publishes a despatch from the Russian camp before Kars, describing a successful attack on a Turkish battery. Mukhtar Pacha, however, has sent a long series of despatches to Constantinople describing the victorious advance of his own and the right column. In the last despatch, dated Alisoupi, July 3, he says:-We passed the day in making reconnoissances. This afternoon the Russians abandoned Bauliamed, fly-They were pursued by our cavalry. The Russian left wing is almost annihilated, and fleeing before the Turkish right with such precipitancy that they en Toget Burchten ung Boget und

GENERAL NEWS.

THE RUSSIAN ATROCITIES.—A French translation has been brought out at Zurich (Cesar Schmidt) of the Parliamentary papers published by the English Government relative to the inhuman treatment of the Polish Uniats by the Russian Government.

GOVERNOR NICHOLLS A CATHOLIC It may not be generally known that Mr. Nicholls, the recognized and lawful Governor of Louisiana, is a Catholic in faith, as are also several of his prominent State officers.

ANNEXATION .- The Tribune reports that the President of the United States is convinced the country has all the territory it can manage, but is favorable to Canadian annexation in time. Evarts also scouts the idea of Mexican annexation.

ON a CRUISE.—The Lord Lieutenant of Ireland has left london for a cruise to Norway in his steam yacht Francisco, accompanied by Lord Randolph Churchill and Mr. Percy Bernard (private secretary). The Duchess of Marlborough and Lady Rosamond Churchill remain in London.

CHINA .- A leter addressed to the Director of the Missions Etrangeres by the Abbe Ragui, missionary in Mancaria, and dated Ing-tze, states that two native converts, one aged 72, and the other, his son, aged 40, had been cruelly murdered, in hatred of the faith, by a mob led on by one of the near relatives of the martyrs.

BRAZIL.—The Apostolo, of Rio de Janeiro, announces the appearance of a new Catholic journal in that city entitled The Reaction, and intended to serve as the organ of the Cercles of the Catholic students. The prospectus of the new journal promises an uncompromising defence of all true Catholic principles against the revolutionary agencies at work in that country, and chiefly against the Freemasons.

COLUMBIA.-Latest accounts from Columbia (late New Granada) represent the persecution against the Catholic Church as raging with continued violence in that Republic. The Archbishop of Bogota, and the Bishops of Popayan, Pasto, and Antioquia, with a great number of the clergy, had been banished. The grants made to the clergy in lieu of the secularized Church property had been withdrawn,

EARLDOM OF ANNANDALE.-Mr. Hope Johnston, M.P., for Dumfries, is a claimant for the earldom of Annandale His grandfather made a similar claim, but failed to substantiate it. Last year an important deed bearing upon the case was discovered. whereupon the claim was revived, and has been partly heard before a committee of privileges of the House of Lords. The further hearing was adjourned.

THE EASTERN QUESTION .- The Morning Post says: -"The session of Parliament will not close without some sufficient steps being taken to provide for contingencies which are only too distinct. British interests are deeply involved in the questions which are at stake in the East, and for their due protection the British purse must be opened. are confident that the Government has only to make a demand to have it willingly accorded."

THE CARDINAL ARCHBISHOP OF PARIS .- The I'mon contradicts a statement made by the Daily News to the effect that Cardinal Guibert had gone to Rome at the instance of Marshal MacMahon, and that his visit to the Vatican had a political object in some way connected with Legitimist intrigues. The fact is that the Cardinal Archbishop had not gone to Rome at all at the time when this news was published and reproduced in a Paris paper.

INTEMPERATE BISMARCK .- Bismarck feels the punishment of heavy drinking and incessant smoking. He says his share of weed and wine must have been one hundred thousand eigars and ten thousand bottles of champagne, and that he had prematurely exhausted the allowance. It is a fact that he formerly drank beer like water. Now he must take a hard, they are not easily masticated. very small quantity, or the consequences would be gerious.

MARRIAGE.-The Marriage of Mr. Harman Grisewood and Miss Maria Concetta d'Conti Messina was solemnized in the oratory of the parish church of St. Domenico, Valletta, Malta, on Tuerday, June 12. A large number of friends, including the Governor of Malta and Lady Van Straubenzee, were present, and were afterwards entermined at a sumptuous dejetiner by Count Messina, the clost brother of the bride. The bride and bridegroom left Malta the same afternoon in the Italian mail steamer en route for England.

TREASURES OF MECCA.—Through the influence of the Sheik-ul-Islam, the Sultan hopes to possess himself of enormous treasures lying in the Kaabah in the great Mosque of Mecca. The treasure is estimated at being worth some ten to twenty millions, and consists of offerings of the pilgrims to the shrine of Islam for the last four centuries. One treasure was opened in 1828, another during the Crimean war, but the treasure that the Sultan hopes to receive has remained untouched for 462 years. The Cherist of Mecca is willing that the treasure should be laid at the feet of the Sultan in this the hour of Islam's need.

MR. A. M. SULLIVAN'S NEW BOOK .- " New Ireland" is the title of the new work on Ireland and the Irish by Mr. A. M. Sullivan, M.P. It is now in preparation and will be published in autumn. The name of the author will be sufficient guarantee that the work will exhibit that intimate knowledge of Ireland's career during the past quarter of a century. which may be looked for from one who has played no insignificant part in Irish politics, and who has been intimately connected with the springs of action which have exhibited Ireland in so many and varied phases to the out-side world, during the whole of that eventful period. The book will be issued by Messrs. Sampson, Low & Co., in 2 volumes

THE BISHOP OF METZ .- Several anti-Catholic German papers, represent the Bishop of Metz when he with the clergy of the city on the occasion of the late visit of the German Emperor to pay an official visit of ceremony to his Majesty-as having uttered an address in which the Bishop is reported to have used words to the effect that they, the Catholic clergy of Metz, "saluted the Emperor sympathetically, and thanked that Sovereign for having established order in the country-order, which has completely disappeared from my late Fatherland." Canon Grosse, of Metz, writes to the Journal d'Alsace emphatically denying that the Bishop made any address whatever to the Emperor, and stating that words put into his mouth are a pure fabrication.

THE "OLD-CATHOLICS"-The German correspondent of the Courrier de Bruzelles gives some figures showing the present state of the new sect. They are extracted from the report read at the synod "recently" held at Bonn, from which it appears that the sect counts in Prussia 6,510 adult members of the male sex, in Baden 5760, in Hesse 373, in Bayaria 3.716, in Oldenburg 104, and in Wurtem berg 94. What is surprising is that the report states the numerical strength of the sect to be so much decreasing in Bavaria where it first origincountries. This is attributed to the withdrawal of

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'NATURALISTS' PORTFOLIO.

A CAT FARM.—This is the latest description of business which has been entered idio by an American speculator who has established a cat farm on an islet in Lake Erie, with the intentiou of cultivating the unfortunate pussies for the sake of their skins.

THE LILAC TREE.—The lilacs in the gardens of the Luxembourg, Paris, are over two centuries and a half old, and were planted by Marie de Medicis. There are eighty trees round the centre pond, and some of these were raised from specimens given to Catherine de Medicis when the Persian lilac was first introduced into Europe by Bushecq, the Ambassador of Ferdinald I., of Germany.

TRAVELS OF VOLUANO DUST -On the 2nd. of September, 1845 a quantity of volcanic dust fell in the Orkney Islands, which was supposed to have originated in an eruption of Mount Hecla, in Iceland, It was subsequently ascertained that an eruption of that volcauo took place on the morning of the above day (September 2nd), so as to leave no doubt as to the accuracy of the conclusion. The dust had thus travelled about 600 miles.

A FISH PRESERVED BY WHISHEY .- Mr. Andrew S. Holenback, of the Franklin House, in Waterloo, N. Y., has a fish taken from Cayuga Lake, some time since, that all the old fishermen fail to recognise as among the known fishes, and can find no description of in any work on natural history. On Sunday night the fish jumped out of the aquarium and was apparently dead. In the morning to preserve it, Mr. Holenback put it in a jar of whiskey, where it remained until Wednesday, when looking at it he discovered it was alive, and he at once returned it to the aquarium, where it is apparently as well as ever. Has any one ever known of a like occurrence?-NewYorkPaper.

PROFITABLE SCIENCE.—In that strip of reddish color which runs along the cliffs of Saffolk, and is called the Red Crag, immense quantities of cet-acean remains have been found. Four different kinds of whales, little inferior in size to the whalebone whale, have left their bones in this vast charnel-house. In 1840 a singularly perplexing fossil was brought to Professor Owen from this Red Crag. No one could say what it was. He determined it to be the tooth of a cetacean-a unique specimen. Now, the remains of cetaceans in the Suffolk Crag have been discovered in such enormous quantities that many thousand pounds a year are made by converting them into manure.

OPER SEA AT THE NORTH POLE,-The following fact is rather striking:—In 1662-3, Mr. Oldenburg, secretary to the Royal Society, was ordered to register a paper entitled "Several Enquiries concerning Greenland answered by Mr. Gray, who has visited those parts." The nineteenth query was, "How near anyone hath been known to approach the Pole? Answer-"I once met, upon the coast of Greenland, a Hollander that swore he had been but half a degree from the Pole,--showing me his journal, which was also attested by his mate,—
where they had seen no ice or land, but all water.'" Boyle mentions a similar account, which he received from an old Greenland master, on April 5, 1765.

THE CAROL.—The introduction of the carob (Ceratonia siliqua) into the Madras Presidency-a subject which occupied the attention of the Agri-Horticultural Society of Madras a few years sincehas been again brought before the society. It is strongly recommended for cultivation in countries suffering from periodical droughts, in consequence of its long roots penetrating a great depth into the earth, and because of the large quantity of mucilaginous saccharine matter contained in the pods, so that it might be largely used for feeding cattle, horses, pigs, &c. It is said however, that, although the seeds contain nitrogenous elements or fleshmaking materials, they do not possess great nutritive properties, and, the seeds being small and

SLEEP IS THE BEST STIMULANT .- The best possible thing for a man to do, when he feels too weak to carry anything through, is to go to bed and sleep all he can. This is the only recuperation of brain power-the only actual recuperation of brain force; because during sleep the brain is in a state of rests condition to receive and appropriate nutriment from the blood. The supply of new brain substance can be had only from the blood, which it obtains from the food caten previously; and the brain can best receive and appropriate to itself nutritive substance during a state of slcop. Mere stimulants supply nothing in themselves; they good the brain, and force it to a greater consumption of its substance, until it is so exhausted that there may not be power enough left to receive a supply.

THE GARDENS OF MOROCCO.—The groves of the rese-trees and the flower-forms of morocco are said by a recent traveller, to exceed in extent and value those of Damascus, or even those of the valley of Mexico. The general climate of the country is very favourable to this kind of culture. Swept alternately by the breezes of the Atlantic and Mediterranean, and tempered by the snows of the Atlas Ranger, the degree of heat in Morocco is much less than in Algeria, and the soil is exceedingly fertile. To the date, palm, orange, and lemon trees the climate appears to be especially suited, the dates from Talifat having been famous even from Roman times. The orange plantations are of great extent in various parts of the country, while olives and almonds are also staples exported in large quantities. Seeing that this fertile land, within five days' steam of London. Produces so much vegetable wealth under the most barbarous cultivation, it appears very strange that commercial enterprise does not in such a climate seek the profitable employment for its everabundant capital in its application to develop such vast resources.

Horners in a Palace Car. - The following exciting story is told by the St. Louis Republican: "As the Missouri Pacific train was leaving Miller's Landing on a recent night, a gentleman came a-board, carrying a stick, to which was curiously attached a hornet's nest. He had found it in the woods, and it had the appearance of being tenantless. But when brought into the warm atmosphere, and placed near the stove, the heat soon awakened its dormant life, and a low humming noise from the interior warned the embryo naturalist and his companions in distinct misery that the sorrow was about to begin. A frantic effort to throw the nest from the window released the im-prisoned insects, and the next instant they swarmed through the car, each individual hornet armed with fury and savagely bent on the war path. They struck right and left, and everywhere left in their trail a cry cf agony. Women shrieked and men thouted. But the sorrow waxed apace, and the misery increased. People tumbled over seats and grovelled on the floor. Bald-headed men mopped their shining pates in agony. Rushing to the rescue of the be eagured passengers, Conductor King was met on the threehold with such a warm reception that his enquiry as to the cause of the unusual uprear was never concluded. He clasped his lips with both hands, and commenced an Indian war-dance with perfect keeping with the conduct of the passengers. He seemingly lost all saziety to enquire any further, or, ing to the south of Kars across the Ardost heights. ated as to counterbalance its increase in all other if his curiosity was not appeared; he prudently recountries., This is attributed to the withdrawal of frained from expressing it. Finally, the doors and the active support of its founder, Dr. von Dollinger, windows were thrown open, and the hornets began who has for some time past ceased to cherish his to leave the car. In all the while only a few stray

on the garden of Bajazid) is regarded as lost, in olics, had " quite taken leave of all faith."