BY FATHER RYAN.

cetter than grandeur, better than gold, than rank and titles a thousandfold, s a healthy body and a mind at ease and simple pleasures that always please. I heart that can feel for another's woe, with sympathies large enough to enfold all men as brothers, is better than gold.

Though toling for oreas in an hum-sphere, Doubly blessed with content and health, Unitired by the lusts and cares of wealth, Lowly living and lofty thought Adorn and ennoble the poor man's cot, For mind and morals in nature's plan Are the genuine tests of a gentleman.

Better than gold is a peaceful home, Where all the fireside characters come. The shrine of love, the heaven of life, Hallowed by mother or sister or wife. However humble the home may be, Or tried by sorrow with heaven's decre The blessing that never were bought or And centre there are better than gold.

NEWS FROM IRELAND.

Dublia.

Mr. William O'Brien, M. P., has declined, for the present at least, to receive any subscriptions to indemnify him in the fine inflicted upon him in the Court of

Kildare.

A branch of the League was formed at Suncroft, on June 16, and the following officers were appointed:—Wm. Orford, President; James Kelly, Treasurer; James Moran, Honorary Secretary. Wexford.

The County Wexford is stirring actively in the matter of its convention. One of the subjects to be discussed thereat is the payment of the Parliamentary representatives. On Sunday, June 22, the people of New Ross met for the purpose people of New Yoss met for the purpose of giving a formal welcome home to their able young representative, Mr. J. E. Red-mond, M. P. The cead mille failthe would have been accorded long before, were it not that an accumulation of business matters had prevented that gentleman from meet-ing the eager wishes of his constituents in the matter. Very Rev. Canon Kirwan, P. ing the eager wishes of his constituents in the matter. Very Rev. Canon Kirwan, P. P., New Ross, accorded full permission to all clergymen to attend the public meeting at New Ross, at which J. E. Red-mond, M. P., addressed his constituents. The meeting was held in the great open space in Irishtown.

Westmeath.

Not for a number of years have the crops in Athlone and surrounding districts looked so well and promising as they do at present. The potato crop is doing splendidly, not the slightest appearance of disease can be discovered on the stalks or leaves. Farmers state as to potatoes that the yield and quality will be far better than we have had for many years past. The oat and wheat crops look remarkably well and are growing rapidly. The same observation will also apply to the mangold and turnip crops, which present a healthy and luxuriant appearance. The meadows are exceedingly promising, particularly in the unlands, which are in a sease can be discovered on the stalks or meadows are exceedingly promising particularly in the uplands, which are in a splendid condition. The grass lands have made rapid progress during the past few weeks, there being now an abundance of light hatter the accession of the North to the National ranks must necessarily have a moderating effect on the policy of the light that the North is gradually that the North is gradually There will be a plengrass for the stock. There will be a plen-tiful supply of fruit and vegetables of all kinds. Large quantities of turf have been cut and saved in good order. Altogether the prospect of an exceedingly rich and bountiful harvest is everywhere ob-

On June 16, a convention of delegates from the County Wicklow branches of the National League was held at Wicklow. Mr. Harrington, M. P., presided. The following leagues were represented, viz: Rathdangan, Baltinglass, Dunlavin, Bray, Wicklow, Rathdrum, Roundwood, Shillelagh, Anacurra, Arklow, Avoca, Kilcool, Blessington, Holywood, Barndarrig, Aughrim. Resolutions were adopted taking measures for the prompt and thorough measures for the prompt and thorough registration of the county.

Preliminary steps have been taken for holding a convention of delegates from the various branches of the National League in the convention of the National League in the convention of the National League in the convention of the National Convention of the county. League in the county Carlow. Replies have been received in answer to a query sent out by the honorary secretary of the sent out by the honorary secretary of the Carlow branch as to the most suitable centre for the convention. The majority

of the replies name the town of Carlow.

A National League convention will be held on an early day at Carlow to select candidates for the county, in view of a general election. It will be remembered that Mr. McFarlane, one of its present representatives, announced, some time ago, his intention of not seeking re-election, as he stated he would not give the necessary pledge which Mr. Parnell intends formulating at the general elec-

On June 15, a squad of drunken soldiers made an emeute in the sleepy old streets of Youghal, and behaved in a way which, for a time, spread alarm and consterna-tion amongst the inhabitants. They dashed madly through the streets, insulting every respectable person, man or woman, whom they met, and even broke, it is stated, into several persons' houses It was not until after this disgracefu conduct had been going on for a considerable time that the police could be got to interfere for the protection of the public.

On June 15, Mr. Denis Brennan, accompanied by a police force, visited the townland of Carrigbawn, near Drimoleague, and evicted Patrick and William Donovan from their farms, on the property of Mr. James O'Connell, who reabroad. The tenants owed two vears' rent, £70. Admitted as caretakers. same day, an aged lady was evicted, by the same officer, from a house at Glandore. The tenant, who was not admitted, owed £40 rent. Florence Mc-Carthy, of Megross, was evicted on the title from his farm on the same day, the judgment being had under a bill of sale. Limerick.

On June 17, a number of Limerick City Artillerymen, while being conveyed by steamer to Tarbert, made free with drink in possession of the steward. When the steamer arrived at Glin, a number of the Artillerymen insisted on going ashore, where they where they quickly came into collision with some of the inhabitants. For some time the Artillery had the best of it, and hadly assulted a number of persons; but hadly assulted a number of persons; but he inhabitants, gathering in force, drove them back after a severe fight to the tenants were always warned of the ap-

steamer. The vessel steamed off as quickly as machinery could move her, but not sufficiently to prevent those on her decks being stoned by the outraged parties on the pierhead. Several of the Glin men have been very severely injured, and one man so badly that he is in a very dangerous condition. Some of the parties assaulted proceeded to the camp at Tarbert, where they identified five of the artillery as engaged in the outrage.

Amongst the counties from which the injured, and one man so badly that he is in a very dangerous condition. Some of the parties assaulted proceeded to the camp at Tarbert, where they identified five of the artillery as engaged in the outrage, and they were at once arrested by the

At New Pallas Petty Sessions, on June At New Pallas Petty Sessions, on June 18, a number of farmers were summoned for refusing to pay what is called "blood tax" by the people of certain districts. Some two years since, Richard Roache, an emergency bailiff, in charge of a vacant farm in the neighborhood, was murdered while on his way home, and his widow was subsequently awarded £300 compensation by the Lord Lieutenant under the provisions of the Crimes Act. The tax provisions of the Crimes Act. The tax was ordered to be assessed on the ratepayers of the locality in which the man was murdered, and it was for refusing to pay their proportions a number of farmers were summoned. The magistrates granted lecrees for the amount claimed.

A rumor having prevailed through Clonmel, on June 17th, that the patriotic Archbishop of Cashel and Emby intended Clonnel, on June 17th, that the patriotic Archbishop of Cashel and Emly intended visiting the town from the neighboring parish of Clerihan, where he was the guest of Canon Scully, P. P., the Mayor (Alderman Hackett, J. P.,) convened a hasty meeting of the Corporation, which was attended by all the Catholic members, and an address was adopted for presentation to His Grace. The band of the Sacred Heart turned out, and the inhabitants in considerable numbers surrounded the Town Hall, where it was agreed upon to present the address. A large number of clergymen were also in attendance, as a conference was held in the early part of the day, and the utmost enxiety was evinced to see his Grace and be present at the presentation. After considerable delay it was announced that his Grace's visit was unavoidably postponed, and much disappointment followed. The Mayor addressed the people from the steps of the Town Hall, and expressed his thanks and the thanks of the Corporation to the peo-ple who assembled in such large numbers to do honor to the patriot Archbishop.

The Ulster Whig press has lately effected a discovery in Irish politics. The Northern Nationalists have proved their power to vindicate freedom of speech despite the exertions of both the foreign factions. The Ulster Whige have thus factions. The Ulster Whigs have thus found out the fact that "in the interest of true loyalty it were better to tolerate the Nationalists." "We believe," says Northern contemporary, "the importation of Mr. Parnell's party into Ulster will do a vast deal for that section of politicians."
"It may," continues the writer, "be relied on that their Ulster agitation will react very favorably on the following of the member for Cork." It is then pointed a moderating effect on the policy of the Irish National movement. The implica-tion here that the North is gradually going over to the Irish cause is remarkable.

Antrim.

At the Newry weekly Petty Sessions, on June 18th, before a large bench of magistrates, seven men were charged with having, on the 8th, fired shots out of the Orange Hall, on the Nationalist processionwith intent to make A leave and the Session of the Orange Hall, on the Nationalist procession with intent to make A leave and the Session of the Sessio sion with intent to murder. A large num ber of witnesses having been examined, the accused were sent to the assizes. They were admitted to bail, each in £200, and two sureties of £100 each

Monaghan.

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On June 20th, W. N. Barron, county court judge for Monaghan, took his seat in the Crown Court, Castleblayney, and commenced the business of the criminal sessions. He congratulated the grand jury on the peaceful state of the county.

At a place called Gortshalgan, about two miles from Dungannon, a woman named Kavanagh, who is a widow and has six children—the eldest girl, Eliza, being only twelve years of age—holds a farm of about five acres. The landlord of it is a man named Ruddy, who lives some distance away, on another farm. There is another house adiaping at his one and in another house adjoining this one, and in it resides a daughter of Ruddy, who is married to a man called Maguire. Between these parties there have been constant disputes. Ruddy has frequently tried to put this poor widow out of the farm. She has been served with numerous notices to quit, and in one case she would have been and in one case she would have been evicted only for the generosity of Dean Byrne, who kindly paid the rent and costs. On June 17th, Ruddy, the landlord, was over with his daughter, who is a woman of about 45 years of age. Some complaint had been made to him by Mrs. Maguire that some of the Kayanaghs were writer ticks in a plantation which adjains cutting sticks in a plantation which adjoins the place. He went into Mrs. Kavanagh's house, and she ordered him out. He said he would not go, as he was the landlord, and he would stop as long as he liked. She then went outside and some words sed, and he went away. little girl was coming from working in an outhouse some distance off. She had not heard anything of the remarks that had passed, and had to come past the door of Maguire's house and through a gate. It is alleged that she left the gate open. Whether or not, Mrs. Maguire came ir with a hatchet in her hands, and struck the little girl several blows with the face of the hatchet on the side. She then turned the weapon and struck her back of it on the top of the head, fractur-ing the skull and making a triangular wound. The child became unconscious after she received this blow, and cannot recover. Mrs. Maguire has been arrested

Galway. A feeling of deep indignation has been excited in the district of Woodford, county Galway, by the action of a local landlord in issuing civil bill ejectments wholesale upon over a hundred of his tenants. It is not denied by the tenants that the rent for the recovery of which the ejectment processes have been issued is due, but the suddenness of the legal action is felt to be a great hardship. It is a perfectly novel proceeding on the estate. Heretofore the

Amongst the counties from which the note of preparation sounds most vigorously are Roscommon and Leitrim. The second meeting of the organizing committee for the former county was held, recently, at Strokestown, in Mrs. Duffy's hotel. The arrival of the delegates was awaited in the town with creat curiosity. awaited in the town, with great curiosity, by thousands of people, the day being a holiday; and, on their appearance, they were accorded a most enthusiastic reception. Outside the hotel a great crowd had assembled, who cheered each fresh batch as they stranged up for admission. batch, as they struggled up for admission, in genuine Irish fashion. The chair, at the meeting, was taken by Mr. Thomas Holden, a sturdy Protestant Nationalist. The delegates numbered over a hundred, representing more than twenty branches of the National League. After a number of practical resolutions, in furtherance of of practical resolutions, in furtherance of the object of the meeting, had been passed, it was resolved that the county conven-tion be held at Roscommon, on Thursday, July 10, and that Messrs. M. Davitt, Dr. Commins, M.P., T. Harrington, M.P., and W. O'Brien, M.P., should be requested to attend. A banquet will be given to the guests on the evening of the convention, A very strong and representative com-A very strong and representative com-mittee was then formed as the permanent organizing committee, to carry out all arrangements.

A very cordial welcome was given to A very cordial welcome was given to the Misses Walsh, of Balla, on their arri-val in Australia. As members of the Ladies' Land League, Miss B. Walsh, and her sister, rendered valuable services to their country during the man-hunting reign of Mr. Forster. Their diligence and intrepidity in discharging onerous and perilous duties have been warmly recognized, is a public recep-tion, by the Irish citizens of New South Wales. The addresses presented to them express the admiration of the Irish-Ausralians for the heroic conduct of the Misses Walsh, and of all the ladies who kept the colors of the Land League flying when the more muscular standard bearers were struck down by the amiable member for Bradford. Miss Parnell is especially eulogized as the leader of the heroines of the bastile regime

A SAD DEATH.

Kingston Daily News.

Yesterday morning the public was deeply pained to learn of the death of Miss Agnes Brophy, a young lady who was loved and esteemed by all who knew her, under very sad circumstances. She accom-panied the vocalists who went to Gananoque to participate in the recent musical convention, and during the trip home she was said to have caught a cold, which resulted in her being confined to bed, and a physician being called in. Shortly be-fore her death a second doctor was called in, and when he saw her he was deeply grieved, as he at once observed that death was nigh at hand. He conversed with her for a few seconds and finally in-formed her that she had but an hour to live. She smiled and said that the doctor must be mistaken, as she felt quite strong and as if she were recovering. Rev. Father Kelly was sent for, and he arrived but a few minutes before she calmly passed away, a victim of diphtheria. Her death was almost as unexpected to her relatives as to her friends. She was organist of the society of the Children of Mary and was most indefatigable in the good work of assisting that association. She was an accomplished musician, and no young lady in Kingston had more friends, nor was more highly respected than de-ceased. Two years ago she graduated in Ursuline Convent, Quebec. The funeral took place this morning at nine o'clock to the Cathedral, the Revd. Father Twohey sang the Libera, and Fathers Higgins and McWilliams officiated at the grave. The pall-bearers were P. J. Leahy, Joseph Hanley, Hanley, William Bermingham, Joseph Steacy, George Power and Frank Con

The above is taken from the Kingston a graduate of the Ursulines, and during her sojourn in this city made hosts of friends, among her schoolmates and their families. The sad news of her prematurely early demise will be received by them with unfaigned sorrow. by them with unfeigned sorrow.—Ed. Daily Telegraph, Quebec.]

A GOOD MOVEMENT.

Catholic Citizen.

A religious movement has been started in the diocese of La Crosse, having for its object the enrollment of persons who will pledge themselves to abstain from all immoral and dangerous reading, and pledg-ing the members to patronize Catholic literature and promote Catholic reading. We hope to see the good work spread to the other dioceses of the Province. The following is the pledge and Bishop Flasch's

oledge myself, in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and for the safety of my im-mortal soul

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by hard study the best years of his youth.
But such a boy should not relax his efforts.
He will succeed if he gives his heart and
mind to the work. Sir Isaac Newton
was pronounced a dunce in his early
school days. He stood low in his classes,
and had no relish for study. Oliver Goldsmith, than whom no boy could appear
more stupid, was the butt of ridicule. A
school dame, after wonderful patience and
perseverance, taught him the alphabet, a
thing which she deemed creditable to her
school, and which she lived to mention
with pride, when her pupil became with pride, when her pupil became famous. Sir Walter Scott was a dull boy and when attending the University of Edinburgh, he went by the name of the great blockhead." But he wasted no time on trifles, and in pursuing a study that he loved, he was persevering and methodical. Sheridan found it hard to acquire the elements of learning. His mother deemed it her duty to inform his like other boys. Adam Clark was pronounced "a grievous dunce," and Dr. Chalmers was pronounced by his teacher an "incorrigible" one. Chatterton was dismissed from school by his master, who, finding himself unable to teach him any thing in a satisfactory manner, settled it that the boy was a foo

The Curfew in California.

The "curfew ordinance" is being slowly but pretty generally instituted in the towns and cities of California, and a good thing it is for both parents and children. The street is so especially attractive at night to all boys, many of whom are inclined to idle and vicious habits, that it is the duty of the law to correct so far as may be by forbidding them the freedom of the city after seasonable hours, thus in a measure preventing them from forming practices that tend to make dissipated young men and bad old ones. Other States might copy after California in this respect, to advantage.

A Baltimore telegram says: Chris-topher Doyle, aged 24 years, one of the heroes of the Tivoli disaster, which occurred here in September last, and by which 63 persons were drowned by the giving away of the wharf on the occasion giving away of the wharf on the occasion of a Sunday school excursion, was drowned to-day in Courtis creek while he and a party of friends were out sailing. The hat of one of the men blew overboard, and Doyle, who was an expert swimmer, jumped after it. He sank and did not rise to the surface. The deceased was awarded the first prize, a costly gold medal, donated by the Mayor and City Council, for his herosm at the Tivoli disster, where he was the first to jump into the water to the rescue of the unfor tunates. He was standing near the Rev Father Starr, the pastor of the church when the crash came. He asked Father Starr if it was right for him to take of his clothing before the women and chil-dren. The clergyman replied, "Go in, man, as God made you." Doyle did so, and saved fifteen lives.

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Ask the same physicians
"What is the most reliable and surest
cure for all liver diseases or dyspepsia; constipation, indigestion, biliousness, malaria,

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