

Information wanted of Elizabeth Walsh, who left for America in the year 1841; when last heard of, in 1853, she and her three sons, William, James, and Michael, were in Albany in the United States.

The value of the flax grown in Ireland last year was upwards of £4,000,000.

The Irish Government Laws.—We suppose our readers must have heard or read of the movement set on foot by Mr. Delahanty, the great object of which is the abolition of the £1 note currency in Ireland, which is denounced as the cause of all our misery.

You may well remember the year '43, when with the Liberator this patriot would be; He would shout, and he'd spout, and he'd kick or he'd float,

But he never said a word about the one pound, note. Bang it up, bang it up, &c.

GREAT BRITAIN.

CATHOLIC CHAPLAINS IN ENGLAND.—At three English sessions, the question of appointed Catholic chaplains to the prisons of the three sessions districts was discussed. In the county of Surrey the appointment was agreed to for the Wandsworth House of Correction, and the salary of the reverend gentleman (Mr. M'Henry) was fixed at £100 per annum.

Of the year just expired the most charitable record cannot say that 'his end was peace.' It has taken its farewell of a world rife with wars or rumours of wars, and died in the midst of a tempest, like some historical personages who are said to have sold themselves to Powers of Darkness.

But would we had some Fitzroy to give us the least glimpse of the morrow in the political atmosphere? The barometer is low, the sun settings are stormy, and distant horizons look strangely near, but so it has been many a day, and the only question is how long the portents will last before they prove themselves either illuory or true.

THE CONFEDERATE STEAMER RAPPAHANNOCK.—The most searching investigation has been made by the Lords of the Admiralty into all the circumstances attending the equipment, fitting out, and departure from the Noë of the Confederate steamer Rappahanock, formerly her Majesty's screw gun vessel Victor, of 350 horse power attached to the Chatham

steam reserve squadron. The correspondence which has taken place between the officials of the dockyards and the Board of Admiralty has been carried on with the greatest possible secrecy; but during the last few days some important circumstances have become known with respect to the transaction.

PROTEST OF ENGLAND AGAINST THE OCCUPATION OF SILESIA.—The Herald is informed that despatches were sent off two days ago to the Courts of Austria and Prussia, to the effect that the Government of Great Britain considered the treaty of 1852 valid and binding upon the signatories, and that it would not look quietly on at the dismemberment of the Danish monarchy, and that in the event of any attempt at the infringement of the territorial rights of Denmark it would be the duty of Great Britain to afford the latter moral and material support.

EMIGRATION FROM LIVERPOOL IN 1863.—The returns of emigration from Liverpool during the past year have just been completed by the emigration officers at that port. These returns, which in themselves are important in a merely statistical view, acquire additional value when looked on as affording some kind of test by which to ascertain the degree of social comfort and national prosperity which their magnitude or small extent is supposed to furnish in a kind of inverse ratio.

AN ENGLISH PARSON BACKING A FRENCH BLAGGER.—In Macmillan for January, the Rev. Mr. Maurice descends approvingly as follows on the work of the shallow, malignant infidel, Renan—a book which, even in a godless age, has made Christendom hold its breath with horror.

UNITED STATES. OCEANIC SCHOOLS.—Day by day the Ward schools of this city are sinking in public estimation, and the wisdom of those who opposed the whole system of public education as it at present exists here, becoming more evident.

subject, examine the working of the system from the Primary up, or from the Free Academy down, and he will agree with us that there is a vast amount of patronage created by it, and a vast outlay of money connected with it; but he will seek long ere he will discover any credit it has been to the city, or any advantage to the growing population.

A NICE LIST.—The calendar for the county of Norfolk contains the names of twenty-two prisoners, who are charged as follows:—One with shooting with intent to kill, one with malicious shooting, one with stabbing, six with burglary, one with rape, one with bigamy, three with arson, four with robbing from the person with violence, two with concealment of birth, one with receiving stolen goods, and one with an unnatural offence.

OLD CLOTHES AND HON. J. WHITESIDE.—Baron Liebig, in an essay which has attracted much attention both on the Continent and here, speaks of the cast-off opinions of the educated becoming the heritage and common-place of spouters, just as old clothes rejected by the wealthy descend, dilapidated, to the poor and the beggar.

COMMODORE DOUTWELL ON THE DISASTER IN CHILI. Philadelphia, Jan. 20, 1864. (Editor Freeman's Journal.) That a very serious accident has occurred in the burning of a church at Santiago, Chili, is certain, but that the consequences are very much exaggerated, I believe.

HOW WOMEN ARE TREATED AT VICKSBURG.—The following circular has been issued at Vicksburg by Gen. McPherson:— Headquarters Seventeenth Army Corps, Provost Marshal's Office. Vicksburg, Miss., Dec. 27, 1863. The following named persons, Miss Kate Barnett, Miss Ella Barnett, Miss Laura Latham, Miss Ella Martin and Mrs. Moore, having acted disrespectfully towards the President and the Government of the United States, and having insulted the officers, soldiers and loyal citizens of the United States, who had assembled in the Episcopal Church in Vicksburg on Christmas day for Divine service, by abruptly leaving said church at the point of the service where the officiating minister prays for the welfare of the President of the United States and all others in authority, are hereby banished, and will leave the Federal lines within forty-eight hours under penalty of imprisonment.

FRIGHTFUL SUFFERINGS OF NEGROES.—Frightful Consequent Mortality.—The sufferings of these poor creatures are so terrible, and to so great a degree beyond the power of individual action to remedy, that one can hardly read the accounts given even in the papers that most strongly support the present Administration, without shuddering at the responsibility of the whole nation for so disgraceful a state of things.

OUT OF AN AVERAGE NUMBER OF FOUR THOUSAND blacks under his charge at Memphis, during the months of February, March and April, of the present year, there died during that time twelve hundred. Three-fourths of them had no change of raiment, probably one-fourth of the women had but one garment between them and utter nakedness.

MAN NEAR UTICA, N. Y., lately sold his wife to a widower for a cow.

THE NEW YORK Herald of Saturday last has an article upon General Fremont as a candidate for the Presidency, in which the words—'Fremont is not a smutty joker; occur forty times, scattered through the text. Mr. Lincoln's fatal facility for obscene jokes offends the Herald's delicacy.

A letter describes the manufacture of munitions of war in the South states that the powder mills now yield 8,400 pounds a day. It is conjectured that the operations North and South consume 10,000 pounds a day. A few years ago the powder used in the country was imported. This is not the case now.

THE SOUTH.—The captain of a steamboat on the Mississippi river, writing to a friend in Chicago from the mouth of the White river, Arkansas, gives a marvellous picture of the lower Mississippi country, now desolated by the rebellion.

A correspondent of the New York Evening Post gives the following account of the freed negroes on the plantations confiscated by the Federal Government, where the negroes have been taken and set to work under their new masters—the Northernlesses. He writes:— 'I wish to make some statements in regard to the workings of that plan during the past season, having been in a position to observe its management and its results.

The STOUTS' TRICK.—We recommend the following quaint bit of philosophy, by 'Joeb' Billings', to the shoddy element:—'I don't know or care anything about it so much as to buy a family in the bustle of the market, but I have no hesitancy in saying that the negro of this district has suffered more privations, and has been far more in a state of servitude, if that were possible, during the past six months, than when under the rule of his Southern master. The Episcopal Recorder adds:—'A committee of the New England Freedmen's Association informs us that one-half of the emancipated slaves on the Southern Mississippi have died since their emancipation.'

REYNOLDS WAS A BOY OF EIGHTEEN, born and brought up in that part of Freetown known as 'Slab Bridge.' Nobody without undeniable proof would believe that a community of such ignorance, of absolutely heathen ignorance, as this is represented to be, could be found in Bristol County. Two-thirds of the witnesses at this trial, adult natives of the town, signed their names with a cross. The Bible was literally an unknown book. Reynolds could neither read nor write, and had never heard of the name of Christ, except as an oath. At the trial every member of the family, except the old father, (who appeared through the window as an honest man), committed the most deliberate perjury.

FEW ARE EXEMPT.—We don't refer to the Draft. Millions escape the conscription. But few, are exempt from indignation. The grand army of Dyspeptics are a multitude that no man can number. Thousands of them serve for life and die early. Yet there is no difficulty in securing exemption.

HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS, taken as a preventive, under the weakest stomach Dyspepsia. Prof. Nay, though you are already enrolled among the sufferers, a few bottles of this inestimable tonic will ensure your discharge in a healthy condition, and without being liable to seizure again. In plain terms, this famous stomachic and alterative is infallible in all the varieties of indigestion and of liver complaint. It invigorates the digestive organs, regulates the bowels, renews the appetite, cheers the spirits, braces the nerves, strengthens the body and is a potent antidote to the deleterious influence of damp and cold. HOSTETTER'S BITTERS can be obtained in any first-class Drug Store in the country.

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