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### ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR.

March 1880. Sunday, 14-Passion Sunday. 1st Class. Sem

Doible.
Monday, 15—Office of the day. Ferial.
Tuesday, 16—Office of the day. Ferial.
Wednesday, 18—St. Patrick, Bishop and Confessor. Double-Major.
Thursday, 18—St. Gabriel, Archangel. Double-Major.
Friday, 19—St. Joseph, Spouse of the B. V. Mary, and Patron of the universal Catholic Church. Double 1st Class.
Saturday, 29—Feast of the Seven Dolours of the B. V. Mary. Double-Major.

Written for the Record The Graves of Martyrs.

The kings of old have shrine and tomb, In many a minster's haughty gloom; And green, along the ocean side, The mounds arise where heroes died; But show me, on thy flowery breast, Earth! where thy nameless martyrs res

The thousands that, uncheer'd by praise, Have made one offering of their days; For truth, for heaven, for freedom's sake, Resign'd the bitter cup to take; And silently in fearless faith Bowing their noble souls to death

Where sleep they, earth ? by no proud sto Their narrow couch of rest is known The still, sad glory of their name Hallows no fountain, unto fame; No-not a tree the record bears
Of their deep thoughts and lonely prayers. Yet haply all around lie'strew'd

The ashes of that multitude; It may be that each day we tread, Where those devoted hearts have bled. And the young flowers that children sow. Take root in holy dust below,

Oh! that the many rustling leaves Which round our home the summer weaves Or that the streams, in whose glad voice Our own familiar paths rejoice Might whisper through the starry sky, To tell where those blest slumberers lie!

Would not our inmost hearts be still'd. With knowledge of their presence fill'd, And by its breathings taught to prize The meekness of self-sacrifice? But the deep woods and sounding waves, Are silent of those hidden graves.

Yet what if no light footstep there In pilgrim love and awe repair, So let it be! Like him whose clay Deep buriedly his Maker lay, They sleep in secret—but the sod, Unknown to man, is mark'd of God

# PARNELL IN TORONTO.

THE MEETING ATJ THE ROYAL OPERA HOUSE.

AN ORDERLY AND ENTHUSIASTIC

From the Globe, March 8th The meeting on behalf of the Irish Land League and Relief Fund held last night at the Royal Opera House was a complete success. Long before the time at which the speeches were announced to begin people began to pour into the Royal Opera House, and at eight o'clock both galleries

were full and the parquet chairs almost all occupied. The audience was, of course, composed in greater part of men, but here and there a lady was seated. Very good order was maintained throughout the evening. The Chairman, Mr. John O'Donohue, in

introducing the orator of the evening, expressed his great pleasure at standing upon a common platform with his friend upon the right in the city in which he had spent over forty years of his life. He had watched Mr. Parnell's course at home and since his arrival in America, and he was bound to say that every man who felt an interest in Ireland must be proud of him. (Loud cheers.) He had been followed with severe criticism, but who had ever stood up and vindicated the cause of Ireland that had not been so followed? He alluded to the recent grants that had been made by the Legislature of Ontario and the Dominion towards the relief of the distress in Ireland. The cause of that distress did not lie, as had been sometimes said, in the character of the Irish people, for in every country where they had and most prominent positions. In Canada there were many instances of this, and he was to a large extent attributable to the greater freedom of our laws. Mr. Parnell had come to the con-clusion that the best method he could take to help the suffering poor of Ireland was to come to America and to appeal to the liberality of the people of this country. But before asking for their alms he (Mr. Parnell) would explain the causes which led to the existing distress, and to the means which would prevent its recurrence. He introduced to them Mr. Parnell, who

was received with great cheering.

Mr. Parnell said:—Mr. Chairman and citizens of Toronto, I thank you for perhaps the warmest welcome which I have

received since I have crossed the Atlantic. received since I have crossed the Atlantic. (Cheers.) This welcome sufficiently dispels the calumny which was heaped by the pro-British press upon the people of Canada—that they did not sympathize with the suffering people of Ireland. Your actions before we came here had indeed sufficiently dispelled that calumny, but I am glad that you have also reserved some of your sympathy for our mission. some of your sympathy for our mission, and while you have showed before our arrival that your hearts were opened and that your money was ready to alleviate the distress of Ireland, so also your wish to help us in preventing the recurrence of that distress. (Cheers.) Many people when they hear of famine in Ireland, look upon it as a dispensation of Providence they think that is due to a bad harvest, or that there has been too much rain, or that the soil of Ireland is poor and unable to feed our population, but none of these reasons apply in the case of our Irish famines, which are caused by men and not by God. (Cheers.) They are artificial and not natural famines. The soil of Ireland is not poor—it is capable of supporting twice her present population in abundant prosperity and happiness. Our climate is the most genial in the world; our people are not idle and slothful—they are energetic and hard, working when they that there has been too much rain, or that our people are not idle and slothful—they are energetic and hard-working, when they are working for themselves as men. (Cheers.) Now how is it, you will ask, that every ten or fifteen years we have frightful famines in Ireland? The argument is sometimes put forward that the people of Canada and the United States have no right to inquire into the States have no right to inquire into the cause of Irishfamines, but those who speak in that strain should recollect that this is the third time that the world has been appealed to within one generation to feed starving Ireland, and it is a fact that the Irish people of this country as well as those of the United States send annually large sums of money to help the Irish peasants to pay their rents. From reliable statistics we know that between eighty and ninety millions of dollars have been sent from the continent of America to Ireland within the last twenty years, and that nearly all of this money, instead of that nearly all of this money, instead of going to make those to whom it was sent more happy and more comfortable, has gone into the pockets of their landlords. (Applause.) I believe that the people of Canada, like the people of America, are concerned whenever they see that there is a suffering nation, and they consider that there duty as a practically free country is to help Ireland to attain that position of freedom and that self-government which they themselves possess.

THE LAND TENURE.

Now, we charge that these continually recurring Irish famines, and that the state of chronic poverty which always obtains in Ireland, are due to the conditions of land tenure in that country? It is the old feudal system with which almost every European country started and which has European country started, and which has been tried and found wanting, and abandoned in every civilized country except Great Britain and Ireland. And the 600,000 tenant farmers of Ireland having tried this system, have come to the con-clusion that it is high time it was abandoned in Ireland also. (Applause.) For in no country has the system inflicted more evils upon the country than in Ireland. And now you will ask, What remedy have you to propose? Well, we have almost got tired of proposing remedies. We have been proposing remedies for the system of land tenure in Ireland for the last thirty years, and we have not been able to obtain any hearing for it, comparatively speaking. It comes to this: that the British Parliament, which cares nothing whatever for Irish public opinion, will not be moved upon any Irish estion until its attention has been directed to it by some very forcible and out of the way occurrences. (Applause. Mr. Gladstone himself, speaking upon the question of the Disestablishment of the Church in Scotland the other day in Midlothian, said that it was not until a prison had been broken into in the heart of the metropolis (alluding to the Clerkenwell affair) and a policeman shot in the discharge of his duty in the city of Manchester that the disestab ishment of the Irish Church entered into the domain of practical English politics. Now this is a very good example of the difficulty which besets the Irish in obtaining any reform from England. I would like you to understand our position upon this question. We do not blame the English people so much, or think them responsible for the state of affairs in Ireland sponsible for the state of affairs in Ireland—although they are responsible, because they assume the government of the country. Remember I draw a very great distinction between the people and the Government of England, and when I say England, you will recollect that I mean the Government of England.

A Voice—What sort of Bovernment would you have for England? (Cries of "Put bim out.")

"Put him out.")
Mr. Parnell.—The people of England have got themselves in a very important position, with regard to Ireland. They have taken a position which no nation ought ever to take. I hold that every ought ever to take. I noid that every nation is able to govern itself (applause), and that although the English neople may be able to govern themselves, they have conclusively proved by the experience of the last seven centuries that they were not able to govern any other nation (applause); so you see we have acted upon English public opinion in some very unusual way to direct attention to the Irish question. As I said before, we are tired of proposing these solutions of the Irish land question, but still we can point to a great many valuable precedents which have been set up by the legislation of other countries, o to some extent by the legislation of gland. What we ask is that the tenant

do not wish to rob them of anything, but at the same time I cannot help expressing my opinion that if these reforms are con-tinually resisted, if all concessions are refused, the time will come when the reasonable propositions we make will no longer be obtainable by the Irish landlords.

(Applause.) Now the shout of COMMUNISM. is, of course, raised, because we ask that the tenants may own the land they till, and we are told that we are land robbers, and that we must not interfere with the rights of property. Now I wish to say to that, that one of the first principles of that, that one of the first principles of British law is that no man can have ab-solute proprietorship in land. The law student learns this amongst his first lessons, and it is a principle which has been sanctioned by Blackstone and all the great leaders of English jurispru-dence. Personal propert, and real estate differ in that respect, that no man can have absolute property in real estate, while he can in personal property. The great English historian James Anthony Froude, who cannot be accused of prejudice in dealing with this Irish question, in the last number of the North American Review, or the number before the last, bears very remarkable testimony to the soundness of what we say on this point. He says that land, strictly speaking, can-not be the property of any man. It benot be the property of any man. It be-longs to all the human race. Laws have to be made to protect the tiller of the soil, and to ensure that he obtains his proper share of returns for his exertions; but to be the private property of this or that man to do with it as he pleases, land never is and never ought to be. (Ap-plause.) Now, the different Governments of the world have at all times recognized that land must be handed over in trust to certain persons upon certain conditions. In the United States of America some of the land has been handed over by the the land has been handed over by the State—the land having originally belonged to the State. It is sometimes handed over to great railroad companies. More of it has been handed over to occupiers, who occupy it under the homestead laws of that country. The railroad companies who obtain these lands do not obtain them as absolute property. They only obtain them conditional upon building a road through the country and throwing the land open for settlement. throwing the land open for settlement. I allude to this to show you that the land originally belongs to the whole people. The Government of the country people. The Government of the country transfers it upon certain conditions to certain persons, who have to fulfil these conditions in order to obtain possession. In the same way the landlords under the old feudal system obtained possession of the lands in Ireland, but the conditions have been universally violated, and I state that which has been corroborated by the historian Froude when I say that in consequence of these unfulfilled con-ditions the land might be justly forditions the land might be justly for-feited by the landlords to-morrow. (Ap-plause.) But we do not desire to do this; we wish to give the landlords full compensation for these lands. This has Prussia where the King been done in Prussia, where the King stepped in and transferred the land from the landlords to the tenants. He com-pensated the landlords by issuing Government bonds bearing four per cent. interest, and he ordained that the tenants should repay the Government by by paying five per cent, interest per annum on the amount of these bonds for forty-one years. At the end of that time further payment ceased, principal and interest having been discharged.
That was the way in which it was done
in Prussia. The legislature of England
has also established a precedent of a
similar character. Under the Bright

THE LAND ACT OF 1870, the Government were empowered to advance money to tenants desirous of purchasing their holdings from landlords willin to sell, and the money was to be by the tenants to the State by annual instalments of 5 per cent. spread over a period of thirty-five years, both principal and interest being repaid by these instalments. The Parliament of England clearly showed by these clauses that they recognized it as a desirable thing that tenants in Ireland should be encouraged to own their farms, but it stopped short at

COMPULSORY EXPROPRIATION.

It was willing to advance money to the tenants of landlords who wished to sell. but it did not sanction the principle that the londlords should be forcibly expropriated. Mr. Bright, the other day, in speaking upon this point, said he believed that after a while if the Bright clauses were amended in a certain direction which he indicated the landlords would find it to their interest to sell, and that a large majority of them would sell. Well, am very much inclined to think so too. that if the present land agitation in Ireland goes on for a year or two longer the majority of Irish landlords will find it very much to their interest to sell. (Cheers and laughter.) But still we think it hard that the Parliament of think it hard that the Parliament of England should throw upon the unfor-tunate, starving tenants of Ireland the duty of doing that by an agitation which they themselves ought to do by law. (Cheers.) An objection has been made to this transfer of the land from the land-(Cheers.) An objection has been made to this transfer of the land from the landlords to the tenants, and we have been wisked, If the tenants are not able to pay their present rents how is it to be expected that they will be able to pay an annual instalment of principal and interest to the Government! To this I reply that the examples which we have had of sales of land to tenants under these Bright clauses all show that the tenant feels such a security when he is an

nerve to meet the annual instalments. He feels, in fact, that he is dragging

A LESSENING CHAIN
behind him instead of a lengthening one behind him instead of a lengthening one—(cheers)—and that every payment he makes is so much to the good. In fact it has been found in practice that the tenants pay long before the thirty-five years have expired. Many of them pay in five, six, eight or ten years. They exceed the instalments required of them, they double and treble and quadruple them in order that they may free the land from the that they may free the land from the Government charge all the sooner. The London Times, the other day, published a leader in which it took up this line of argument, viz., that if the tenants could not pay their rents they could not be expected to pay the instalments to the Government if the land were sold them. Now, it happens that when the property held by the English Church in Ireland was sold the right of pre-emption was held by the English Church in Ireland was sold the right of pre-emption was given to the occupying tenants, and the State was permitted to help them in the way which I have explained. Five thousand tenants of the Church purhous the characteristic of the charac chased property holdings, and the Times made the assertion that these tenants had failed this year in paying their instalments. Lord Monck, whom you know of in this country, the head of the Church Temporalities' Commission in Ireland, at once wrote a letter to the Ireland, at once wrote a letter to the Times, of which the following is the subrunes, of which the torowing is the sub-stance:—"The Irish peasant proprietors appear to be a thrifty set of people, not-withstanding the traditional idea to the contrary. It is officially stated that out of an annual payment of \$655,000 due to the Church Commissioners on moneys advanced by them to about five thousand peasant proprietors in Ireland under the Church Disestablishment. Act, the arrears due this winter are only \$37,250, or less due this winter are only \$37,200, or less than six per cent. of the amount of interest due. This, too, in the face of the fact that there have been three successive bad harvests." (Cheers.) Now, how is this? On one hand you see the tenantry of Ireland engaged in a life-and-death struggle against their landlords to obtain an abatement of their rents, large numbers of them perishing of starvation, and on of them perishing of starvation, and on the other hand you see the once tenants of the Irish Church Commissioners, now proprietors, able to pay within six per cent. of the annual charge on their lands. It is the

MAGIC OF PROPERTY, which turns sand into gold, and has duced this extraordinary state of affairs. And we think if the experiment were tried further that the same magnificent result would appear throughout the length and breadth of Ireland, and we should never again have another famine there. (Cheers.) I wish before sitting down to say a word or two on the subject of

this frightful famine came upon them. The distress in the west of Ireland cannot be exaggerated. I am told that in some of Donegal, a fortnight ago, six hundred persons were living upon

A PENNY A DAY or sixpence a week. Taking six persons to each family this pittance would be little less than a dollar a week for each Inttle less than a dollar a week for each family. This state of things can searcely be believed in this country. It will scarcely be credited that next door to a rich relation like England, the Government of that country should have permitted this condition of affairs to come round.
(Applause.) I could scarcely have credited it myself; and although we know that there must be famine, we hoped that it might not be so bad as it has turned out to When we left Ireland we estimated the number of persons who would probably be without food by the middle of February at about two hundred and fifty thousand, but I regret to say that this number has now been very largely exceed-

number has now been very largery exceeded, and that half a million or 750,000 PERSONS WILL BE WITHOUT FOOD between this and next July. Now, we had hoped that the distress might not have turned out so bad as it has, but, of course, our information was not so perfect as that of the Government. The Government has means of knowing the true state of affairs far superior to any we possess. And though we were able to predict that two hundred and fifty thousand people by the middle of February would have to be fed, the Government up to that time had constantly denied that anybody was in danger of starvation—(Cries of "Shame") or that there would be any distress be or that there would be any distress be-yord that which the ordinay machinery of the poor law system could cope with. Under the poor-law system Ireland is divided for the purpose of the relief of the poor into a number of divisions called electoral divisions, and the district which is distressed is taxed for the maintenance of the poor within it. These divisions are very small, and when one of them is overwhelmed with distress, say to the extent of one-half the population, the burden of relief is thrown upon the other half, with the result that they, too, are driven into the poor-house. Well, we had been warn-ing the Government all along that there tenant feels such a security when he is an owner that he will improve his holding to deed. Another mouth passed away, the di

PROVIDE A SUPPLY OF CLEAN STRAW. (Hisses and laughter.) And that was the only measure of relief undertaken by the Government up to the time that we left Ireland. They have done nothing since. The £770,000 appropriation Bill which has passed the Commons has not yet, 1 believe, passed the Lords. It must be some time before it can receive the Royal some time before it can receive the Royal assent, and before the cumbrous machinery, bound up with red tape, can come into action for the relief of the Irish poor. (Applause.) Meanwhile the people of Ireland have been left to the charity of every nation in the world—except England. Now I regret to say it very much indeed, but it is a truth that must be said that England has contributmust be said, that England has contributed far less according to her means—infinitesimally less—than almost any other finitesimally less—than almost any other country which has been appealed to. (Hisses.) If it had not been for the charity of the people of the United States, of India, of Australia, of Canada, of every country but England, the people of Ireland must have perished before now in famine by thousands. And this appropriation, if it had been made in June last when we proved it, might have been of when we urged it, might have been of some use; it could have been expended on reproductive works which would have improved the natural resources of Ireland. The interest would have been paid then.

Then our people were not ENFEEBLED BY WANT AND DISEASE now they are too weak to work. The long-continued want which they have been suffering has made them so that they can-not handle a spade or a pick, and the consequence will be that this money, which they might have received three or four months ago in the shape of honest daily wages, must now be doled out to them as charity, and our proud-spirited people are degraded to the level of paupers. It is enough to break the heart of a man who has been working in Ireland and who has watched the noble spirit that was spring-ing up amongst our people to see them ing up amongst our people to see them degraded in this horrible and infamous way. (Cheers.) I wish that I could think they have not been

BROUGHT TO THE GATES OF STARVATION PURPOSELY and desiredly. (Hear, hear, and hisses.) I wish I could think that the Government

of England do not watch the appearance

of famine in the hope that by its help they might break down the spirit of the Irish people. (Hisses and cheers.) Now, in conclusion, I wish to say a word in reference to amatter on which we have been criticised. I refer to our action with restriction with respirate the regions reliaf comsay a word or two on the subject of
THE DISTRESS IN IRELAND.

It is enough to break the heart of our people to have to contend with such a terrible calamity as that which they are now contending with. They are getting to feel independent, to have a stright back, and to believe that they also had rights as well as the Irish landlords when some and the strict of the Manison House and Datases. Now, I approach this not very pleasant subject—and it is least of all a pleasant subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a proach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach in a city whence you have sent a subject to approach this not very pleasant subject to approach the subject to approach this not very pleasant subject to approach the subject to approach this not very pleasant subject to approach the subject to good deal of money mittees—with some hesitation. But still it is necessary to state the position we have assumed in reference to this matter. We have thought that relief to the Irish people should not go though the hands of the landlords; that it was not in the nature of things to suppose that they could continue to struggle against this land system, and yet have to apply for their daily bread to the very class who were oppressing them. the very class who were oppressing them. This is all we have done. We have not accused the Mansion House Committee of mal-administration by any means. I do not believe it would willingly mal-ad minister any moneys that were entrusted to it for purpose of relief. But this we believe, and this we are sure of, that this Committee is very largely composed of Government and landlord committee and that the sub-committees throughout the country very largely partake of also. Of course sub-committees, as they degenerate in the scale, are not formed of the same lofty material as the Mansion House Committee. They are not compose ed of Attorney-Generals, lawyers, or other men of exalted positions, but they composed mainly, and in great part, of the agents of the landlords, their bailiffs, and drivers (hisses), and we have feared that through them our people might be seriously handicapped in the struggle they are maintaining for their rights. We have are maintaining for their rights. We have at least thought that in administering the relief you ought not to give political advantage to the landlord class, and that our poor tenants were harassed enough with-out additional trouble being added. We out additional trouble being added. We do not blame you when you have done everything fairly and with the best and everything fainly and with the best and most generous intentions. I regret ex-ceedingly that the subject is an unpleasant one to you. (Cries of "Oh no.") Now, I have said that we don't accuse the Mansion House Committee of mal-administration, but I think it right to read you a number of resolutions passed at a meeting in Ireland in order to show you that even if we had gone further our suppositions might have perhaps been well founded. At a meeting of the Land League Relief Committee held in Louisbury, County Mayo, Ireland, Rev. Mr. Joice, parish priest, in the ch ir, the following resolutions were proposed and unanimously

carried:—

"Resolved, that having made three ineffectual appeals to the Mansion House Relief Fund for aid to help us to relieve the present dire distress existing in this parish, we solemnly declare that body as unworthy of the confidence reposed in them by the charitable public, and we call way to a describe the confidence reposed in them by the charitable public, and we call upon the charitably-disposed to with-hold their subscriptions from a body of men who declare they will allow their fellow-creatures to die of starvation un-less their Committee changes its name, farmers of Ireland may be allowed to own the land they till, and we are willing to give to the landlords the full extent of their vested interests in the lands. We before, and that he will strain every day, and the Government were at last were treated with very scunt courtesy intended. Another month passed away, the distance of the landlords the full extent of the lands. We before, and that he will strain every day, and the Government were at last and we call upon the charitably-disposed

moved to some action. And what was it? They issued a circular to the Poor-Law Boards throughout Ireland calling upon them to whitewash the workhouses and proving a contract of the subscriptions either to the Irish bishops or to the National Land League, as being the surest and quickest medium of relief reaching the really distressing.

"That the Mansion House Relief Com-"That the Mansion House Relief Committee having refused to grant us any aid and to relieve the present distress, we call upon our fellow-Christians and fellow-countrymen at home tot aid us with public contributions, and that they will not allow their fellow-creatures to die of starvation because of the name of the committee." the committee.

Now I give this to you for as much as it is worth. I do not wish to advance charges against the Mansion House Committee or anybody else which I cannot substantiate. The position is that it is giving too much control to those in the landlord and Government interest. And landlord and Government interest. And now, ladies and gentlemen, in conclusion, I thank you for the kindness and attention with which you have listened to my oration. I feel greatly encouraged by the attitude of the people of Canada, so far as I have seen it displayed, and I trust it will continue to show itself as it has tonight. If we succeed, English landlords and English miscovernment in Ireland and English misgovernment in Ireland will soon be a thing of the past. (Pro-

longed applause.)
Speeches were also made by Messrs.
Dillon, N. Murphy, Geo. Evans, Jury,
Patrick Boyle and others.

Patrick Boyle and others.

At the close contributions were handed in rapidly from all parts of the house, in sums varying from one to fifty dollars. It was announced that the collection was to be for the relief fund, but many of the donors coupled their gifts with the intimation that half was to be devoted by the Land League 1 the "emigration of the Irish landlords." The nomes of the contributors, as announced by Mr. Parnell from the stage, were mostly those of Irishmen, but the list embraced also a large number of Canadians, Scotchmen and Englishmen. The sums handed in aggregatlishmen. The sums handed in aggregated \$464, which was enlarged to \$975 by the addition of the box office receipts for

### AID TO SLIGO.

# THE KINGSTON REMITTANCE GRACIOUSLY ACKNOWLEDGED.

Very Rev. Father Farrelly has received the following letter from the Bishop of

MY DEAR FATHER FARRELLY, -I am in MY DEAR FATHER FARRELLY,—I am in receipt of your very kind and esteemed favor of the 29th ult., covering a draft for £175 1 ls. 2d., for the relief of destitution in this district. May God bless you and the generous people of Kingston for this timely help. It will enable many poor families to tide over the hard times we are received through Singal people. passing through. Since I wrote the letter you received the distress has been rapidly extending, and it is only by private offer-ings that we are enabled to save the lives

of our poor, beloved people.

The Government is giving no effectual help. It merely offers loans for public works and land inprovements, but leaves pay half the interest on the loans they are not taking advantage of them. alone knows how the people are to be from this until the new crops come in in August or September. In the absence of public works it seems to us quite impos-sible to keep up our relief funds for so long a time and to the amount that would be a time and to the amount that would be required to provide for the constantly in-creasing distress. But God is good, and he loves his faithful Irish people, and I do not hesitate to say that there is no portion of that people so deserving of his love and mercy as the small landholders who are the chief sufferers in the present crisis. Their vitues and their sufferings make Their virtues and their sufferings mak ope that God will enable us to save

their lives and their homes.

Recommending all our wants to your holy prayers, and praying God to reward the great charity of the Catholics of Kingston, I remain, my dear Father Farrelly

Very sincerely yours in Christ, +L. GILLOOLY. Very Rev. J. Farrelly, V. G.

Administrator of the Diocese of Kingston, Canada. The collection at St. Mary's Cathedral has been supplemented by about \$80,making a total of \$940, as given by the members of that church.

# THE IRISH RELIEF FUND.

The following is a list of the Civil Service subscriptions toward the Irish Relief

Fund :—
Post Office—L. Lawless, Postmaster, \$10; R. J. C. Dawson, \$4; George Cox, \$5; H. A. Johnston, \$5; J. D. Sharman, \$4; J. Gordon, \$2; H. D. Dalton, \$2; John Mc-Gordon, \$2; H. D. Dalton, \$2; John Me-Lauchlin, \$2; Andrew Thompson, \$2; Walter H. Cousins, \$1; Martin O'Meara, \$2; A. E. Ashton, \$1; L. Lawless, jr., \$1; Wm. Blair, \$2; R. Mercer, \$2; George Hampton, \$1; R. F. Matthews, \$4; Fred. W. Matthews, \$1; John Hunter, \$5; J. W. McLaren, (mail agent), \$1; John Ward, \$1; Ed. Wilson, \$2; Jerry Howe, \$1; J. W. McLaren, \$1; J. J. Ross, \$1; Neil McNeil, \$1; John Dinahy, letter carrier, \$2; John Screaton, letter carrier, \$1; George Hilton, letter carrier, \$1; J. Beattie, R. Evans, and W. Short, 50 cents each. Total from the Post Office, \$73. 873.

Custom House-E. Collett, \$1; John Siddons, \$2; J. E. Williams, \$1; R. Evans, \$2; Frank Church, 50 cents. Total \$6 50, exclusive of \$10 given by M1. R. Reid to the Glass and Macmahon list. The above amounts to \$79.50.

The body of a young woman was taken from the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Prescott, one night lately.