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Here are some statistics which we take from the "Irish Catholic," and which speak eloquently for themselves. These figures were gathered in 1896, and we are pleased to note that the recent enactments affecting Irish municipal matters are calculated, if taken advantage of, to lead to some material change in this regard.

"The statistics on the subject of the Irish Magistracy, which we owe to the industry of Lieut.-Col. Lynam, J.P., brings out in a most vivid and striking manner the extent to which a violent and aggressive partisanship has rigged the bench of justice with representatives of a pampered and arrogant section.

Colonel Lynam shows by figures, the accuracy of which is unquestionable, that if Catholic magistrates were appointed in anything like the same proportion to the numerical strength of the Catholic population, as Protestant magistrates have been to the Protestant population, the result would be to create nearly as many Justices of the Peace as there are Constabulary in the country. We do not understand Col. Lynam to argue exactly in favor of the adoption of such a policy; but we certainly do think that he makes out an excellent case for the refusal by the Lord Chancellor to pass any more nominations of persons belonging to the favored creed until a gross and scandalous disproportion has been brought to an end, either by the falling in of existing commissions of the Peace or the calling to the Bench of qualified Catholics.

We cannot help saying that we think much credit is due to Col. Lynam for the large amount of labor which he must have devoted to the exhaustive table which he has prepared, and which exhibits in a light never before cast on it the grave and wholesome nature of the intolerance which has rigged the Magisterial Bench of our counties with men the vast majority of whom are destitute of all sympathy with their fellow-countrymen or of even a gleam of patriotism. Col. Lynam's table brings out, in a manner which it is impossible to misunderstand, the results of a policy which it is time to bring to an end. The full force of the argument which lies in Col. Lynam's figures

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At a meeting of the County of Carleton Farmers' Institute held last week, Mr. Grisdale of the Experimental farm, gave an illustrated address, on "Dairying and the Dairy Cow." The first thing required in a dairyman is that he be a first class man, generous to his cattle in the matter of feed and treatment, and interested in his work. He must also be able to control himself. A great deal depends on the choice of a good dairy cow. She should have a long fine head, broad across the forehead, slightly dished between the eyes, and having a large muzzle. The eyes should be large, the ears soft and silky, with the inside of a deep waxy color. She should have a long neck, and well developed breast, the latter because good lung power is necessary. She should be fine over the shoulders, and along the back. The parts of the backbone should be large and well apart. This will necessarily mean that the ribs are far apart, and this latter is one of the best indications of a good milker. She should be broad across the hip bones. The tail should be long and fine.

Peach Crop Destroyed.

(From the Baltimore American.) Replies received at Maryland Agricultural College from all the prominent peach growers in the state indicate that even the hardiest varieties of the fruit were unable to withstand the recent cold. Prof. Johnson of the college has sectioned many thousand buds during the last week, and has found all dead. The loss will be the greatest along the Blue Ridge Belt, where many thousand young trees were just coming into bearing this year for the first time, in addition

tion to the older orchards, all of which were well set with fruit buds. Some reports from Eastern shore indicate that there may be a slight sprouting of fruit yet. All the buds examined are injured beyond recovery. It is yet too early to say what effect the freeze will have upon the trees.

A DIET KITCHEN.

A diet kitchen in connection with the Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, will soon be established as the ladies interested in the work are meeting with success. The kitchen is, primarily, for the preparation of invalid dishes by an expert cook for the hospital, in which it is established, and a mastery of the science of this form of cooking by the nurses graduating from its training school.

Natural and Moral Fruit.

At a meeting of Georgia Fruit Growers, I observe that one member stated that he had saved his trees from rabbit gnawing, by a smear of animal blood procured from a butcher pen. The rabbits not only did not injure the trees thus treated but disappeared from the orchard. As an illustrative of the reverent spirit among many of the rural population of the South, I quote the language of a venerable Georgia farmer at the meeting, and his remarks were declared "the event of the day." He said:— "I am afraid that our fruit is dead

but the visitation is from the hand of God, and we may trust to Him for next year. Our bodies and our brains need rest. Our animals must be given time to graze and to strengthen up. Even our ground must be turned over to grass occasionally. Then nature restores herself. I have made enough out of my trees to let them have the rest which this event will give them. The man who complains at frost or snow or rain, complains of his Creator, who always knows what is best for us. What we do is not for ourselves but for posterity. We plant trees for people yet unborn. It is our duty to cultivate our minds, to till the earth and to leave it to posterity even better than it was left to us. We are but tenants, here for a season to succeed tenants dead, and in time to give way to others. I believe that God will hold us to an account for the use which we have made of the earth while in it. If we all do our duty in our day and generation, we will merit the approbation of divine providence."

This submission to the Divine will, in a completely child-like spirit, reminds one of the beggar found by Blessed Toler on the church steps who rejoiced when the weather was unpropitious because it was God's weather. The Protestants of the South are not easily converted to the Catholic faith, but, when they do enter the true fold, most of them are beautiful in holiness and loyalty. — Washington Correspondence of the Catholic Columbian.

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