THE MOTHER LAND.

Latest Malls from Ireland, Eng land and Scotland.

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Astronal Laward Harland of Belfast who has just passed away looked as honest a man as he was and was as honest as he looked. To his transparent's straightforwardness an life. Some forth jears ago he was foreman to a small supudaking firm in the North of Figland, which suddenly failed. There was one unfinished ship out the streak for which the firm had already been paid. Harland got assistance from a local bank and finished the work. This incident made him known and brought orders.

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The Oatholic citizens of Belfast have adopted their petition in reference to the new Bill for the extension of the city boundaries. At their proceedings on boc 22 they expressed their thanks to their follow Catholica in Derry who have joined hands with them in the struggle for a common right. They point out that the Catholics of Derry, though a majority of the population are quite ready to accept the cumula tive system of voting, provided similar justice is done to the Belfast minority. As usual the people who have been so As usual the people who have been so long cheated out of their rights teach their opponents a lesson in toleration

their opponents a lesson in toleration Armach

It erregg, the Protestant Primate has been confined to the Palace, Armagh, for the past few days through a serious indisposition. His Grace's condition becam; so alarming that it was considered necessary to have three physicians in attendance on him.

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A British ship has been wrecked at
Too Head near Skibbercen.
The installation of Sir John Scott
as Mayor of Cork was accompanied by
considerable disorder made by a ndite crowd.

A great nationalist convention was held in Bellaghy County Derry on Dec. 31 at which Father Faining C. C presided and the following resolution was passed — That we half with satisfaction the calling together of a great National Convention, and more especially one representative of the Irish race in every quarter of the world (cheers) The services rendered by our kinsmen abroad to the National movement for the past twenty years can nover be adequately compensated and we would be guilty of the basesting ratified if we did not welcome them with open arms to any council that had for its object the promotion of the Irish cause." (Cheers.

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Irish cause." (Cheers.

A wealthy Irish American named Edward Coleman died suddenly on Jan. 1st, in a house at Taaffe's Row off Cole Line.

Among the birthday honors is a barouctoy for Sir John Arnott.

Mr. Richard Francis McCoy was invested with the dignity of Lord Mayor of Dublin on Jan. 1st. under very favorable circumstances.

Mr. Patrick Cabill the Publin optician has received a letter from the Vatican acknowledging the reception of gold framed Irish glasses presented by him to Hie Holmess.

Fermanagh A serious riot occu occurred in the A serious riot occurred in the village of Tempo, County Fermanagh, on Saturday New Year & Eve. Between six and seven p in the members of the Tempo National Flute Band proceeded through the village for their usual practice. When going up the Main street they were surrounded by a crowd of Urangemen who fried a volley of stones and broken bottles at them. crowd of Orangemen who needs them, of stones and broken bottles at them. The stone throwing continued for half an hour, during which time several persons were slightly injured. During the row a couple of Oatholies were coming up a back lane, and they were met by showers of bricks and stones.

coming up a such ance, the story extended to the Irish National Federdation passed the following resolution on Dec. 30 — That we heartily approve of the resolution unanimously adopted by the Duolin convention of the Irish Parliamentary Party to hold a convention of the Irish race in llublin, and we anticipate from the deliberations of such an assembly and the resolutions likely to be arrived at by it most important and far reaching results for the benefit and the regeneration of Irish and the regeneration of Irish and the regeneration of Irishand.

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Along's County.

The country around I'-llamore was disastiously flooded by the rain storms of New Year's I'ay.

Mr. William M. Nolan on the occasion of his installation as Mayor of the ancient city of the Broken Treaty made the following reference to educational matters.—Every fair minded or impartial person who has given any thought to the subjectment admit that the arguments in favour of the establishment of a university where the Catholics of Ireland, who form so large a proportion of the nopulation, can secure the enjoyment of equal advantages to those available to students of other denominations from the existence of Trinity College, are based on

simple justice (hear, hear) We, in common with the Catholics of Ireland simple justice (hear, hear) We, in common with the 'atholics of Ireland are fully impressed with this view, and we hope the Government, which can afford to be generous, may come to recognize the disabilities under which it e Catholics of Ireland are for conscious sake, compelled to labour and may remot their by an along full adequate and equal State aid for the ligher education and studies of the Catholics of this country, to that enjoyed by their fellow countrymen of other creeds and denominations

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Mr Tetor Lynch has been metalled
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| Meson.
| On Dec 100 the classical school of
| St. Mary s College, Multingar, was a
| seeme of great animation, a banquet
| being held in honour of the Mest tev.
| Dr. Nuity on his return from Kome.

On Dec. 19 an inquest was held at Cabir Courthouse by Coroner J. J. Shee, J. P. and a respectable jury, Q, which Mr. John O Mahony was foremen, on the body of a respectable young Clonmel man named Daniel Joseph Alearn, whose romains were tound in a frightful condition heneath the iron railway bridge which spans the Suir at Cabir from the tower of which he had fallen

England.

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His Hotness Leo XIII. on December 2:rd delivered an allocution, in reply to an address from the Sacred College in which he said "We Ourselves have latterly chosen various occasions to recommend special prayers. We recommended them for the feast of Pentecost, and again for the month of Our 1:ady of the Resary, and already this grave subject of prayer was specially dealt with by 4s in the Apostohe Letter directed by 1's to the Illustrous British nation. Our words and Our exhortations, being blest by God, were seconded on all sales, and it appears to us we can recognise one of

God, were seconded on all sides, and it appears to us we can recognise one of the principal effects in the revival and growing ardour of Catholic sentiment and action becoming manifest in several nations and proving servicable to their most vital interests. And We expect a not less happy effect in favour of the causes, so warmly promoted by U.s. for the return of the dissident Chretian Churches to Catholic unity. It is certain that particularly effective efforts and harmonious firmness of purpose are required for this work, inasmuch as the projudices to be uprooted have become involvents and the difficulties involved in removing them are noither slight nor few. But what may not be the influences upon homan aims and issues of recrurse to God with preserving conditence? What truly remarkable fruit has been produced, both in ancient and modern, times, by devont prayer.

Butterly said it is to consider that this proud and incredulous ago dares to assall and mock this supernatural order things, and that wicked sects busy in stifing the germs of religion and piety in young hearts which they pretend to train in civil and moral virtue. But the dignity of a man never appears nobler than when it bows down reverently before God and when the spirit goes out to Him either in rendering Him the homage of submission and gratitude or in imploring His clemency and protection. And it has always been edifying to see princes and peoples seek from God by public prayer His assistance in important undertakings or His succour in great misfortunes. Against the sad change which we deplore cry aloud not merely the authority of the Divine precepts, but the dictates of reason itself and the voice of the hearts which in formatimes were faithfully obeyed by the most cultured nations. Oh. Hoavenly Fatter, how much the present age needs Thy blessings!

Christmas Day of high-class charactor. The orchestra was augmented by members of the London Classical and Orchestral Concerts under the conductorship of Mr. Barclay Jones. The programe included s

A Constrated Bathematicism.

Mr. James O'Farrell, who was born at Cavan in 1-10, and whose funeral took place recently at Southampton, from his youth always seems to have took place recently at Southampton, from his youth always seems to have taken the greatest possible interest in mathematics and the kindred sciences. In 1834, he joined the Ordnance Survey in Iroland. He entered the Trig mometrical Department on oit April, 18-24, and in this he romained until 18-25. Notices of Art. Or Farrell's work to scattered about in almost every book, published in connection with the Ordnance Survey Office. We may particularly mention several of these in the "Encyclopa dia Brittanica (vol. x. p. 201), "Journal of Royal Geographical Society" (vol. xxx.), Geodesy," by Col. A. R. Clarke (Olsrendon Fress., Ord nance survey, by Lt. Ool. Pilkington-White Blackwood), &c. &c. In addiation to these, Mr. O Farrell published-several monographs on mathematical subjects connected with the Survey. monographs on mathematics connected with the Survey.

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St. Joseph's College, Pumiries.
At the Christmas entertainment 232 certificates were distributed, of which 189 were awarded by the Science and Art Department for the thirteen subjects in which the pupils were examined last May. There were also entertained from the Oollege of Perceptors. 10 being 1st class, 14 2nd class, and 19 8rd class.

In honor of the great festival of Christmas the Oathedral, Edinburgh, was handsomely decorated with helly and ivy. Festions wound round the pillars and arches, and the pulpt, which had been moved to a more suitable place in the extended church, was covered with similar decorations. Canon Donlevy lectured on "Edward VI." or an examination of the religious charges instituted in England during the short reign of that king. The services for Christmas included Pontifical High Maes at midnight on Ohristmas Fvo, with a sermon on "The Incarnation," by Canon Donlevy.

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St. Androw's Cathedral, Great Olyde street, Glasgow, has recaulty been the scene of some interesting functions on Christmas Evo, Midnight Mass was celebrated in the presence of a very large congregation, including a num ber of non Catholics. On Christmas Day the principal Mass was very largely attended, and was followed by Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, civen by the Administrator, the Rev. Father Mackintosh. Many of the congregation afterwards paid a visit to the pretty crib, created at the Sacrod Heart altar. A special sermon, appropriate to the occasion, was preached by a former cirate of the Cathedral, the Rev. J. B. Macluskey, M.R., from the text, "sGlory be to God on high and on earth peace to men of good will."

**Androw's Catholic Association Abrdeen The annual social meeting of St. Androw's Catholic Association was held in the Silver street Hall, on the ovening of 30th December. The hall was tastefully decorated, and there was a large company present. Bishop M-Donald occupied the chair, and there were also present on the platform Canon Tochetti, Woodside; Rev. James M-Gregor, Rev. George Wiseman, Rev. Androw Grant, St. Mary's Cathedral: Rev. Donald Chisholm, St. Peter's: Rev. Father M-Bain, Aboyne, and Rev. Father Devine, Festernoar, Mojor Manuel, Messrs Alex. John stone, John Craigen, Alexander Hay, John Simpson, John M'Mahon, Robert Reid, A. W. Martin; G. Mackenzie, president of the sociaty; G. L. Thomson, vice president; J. Raeburn, Treasurer; and J. A. Johnstone, secretary.

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"I was partly paralysed and to get out of bed had to roll out."

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I NOW THE PRENCH OF JULES VARNED

Take care! eried my conductor, "there's a step! Nafely descending the step thus midented to me, I entered a vase room, illuminated by blinding sectors reflectors, the sound of our feet alone breaking the solitude and silence of the place.

Winere was I. What had I come there to do? Who was my myster is gaide? Questions unanswered. A long walk in the might, iron doors opened and reclosed with a clang, stairs decending, it seemed to me, deep into the earth—that is an I could romember. I had, however, no time for thinking.

No doubt you are asking yourself who I am? said my guide. Colonel Pierce, at your service. Where are you. In America, at Boston—in a station."

station. '
''A station?''
''Yes, the starting point of the Beston to Liverpool Pneumatic Tubes ompany."

And, with an explanatory gesture,

And, with an explanatory gesture, the Colonel pointed out to me two long iron cylinders, about a metre and a half in diameter, lying upon the ground a few paces off.

I looked at these two cylinders, ending on the right in a mass of unseonary, and closed on the loft with heavy motalite caps, from which a cluster of tubes were carried up to the roof, and suddonly I comprehended the purpose of all this.

Had I not, a short time before, read in an American newspaper, an article describing this extraordinary project for inking Europe with the New World by mean of two gigantic submarines tubes? An inventor had claimed to have accomplished the task; and that inventor. Colonel Pierce, I had before me.

In thought I realized the newspaper article.

Complaisantly the iournalist enter cd into the dotails of the enterprise II ostated that more than 3,000 miles of iron tuber, weighing over 13,001,000 tons, were required, with the number of slips necessary, for the transport of this material—200 ships of 2,000 tons, were required, with the number of seenec bearing the steel to two special vessels, on board of which the ends of the tubes, were joined to each other, and inassed in a triple netting of iron, the whole covered with a resinous preparation to preserve it from the saction of the seawater.

Coming at once to the question of working, he filled the tubes—trans formed into a sort of pea shooter of interminable length—with a series of carriages, to be carried with their travellers by powerful currents of air, in the same way that despatches are conveyed pneumatically round Paris.

A parallel with the railways closed the article, and the authoronumerated with enthusiasm the advantages of the new and audacious system. According to him, there would be, in passing through these tubes, a supression of all nervous treptation, hanks to this interior surface being officially polished steel; equality of temperature secured by means of currents of air, by which the heat could be modified according to the seasons. incredibly low f

that now came back to my All mind.

mind.
So, then, this "Utopia" had become a reality, and these two cylinders of iron at my feet passed thence under the L lanto and reached to the coast of England!
In apite of the evidence, I could not bring myself to believe in the thing laving been done. That the tubes had been laid I could not doubt; but that men could travel by this route—never!

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"Was it not impossible even to
betain a current of air of that length?"
—I expressed that opinion aloud.

"Quite easy, on the contrary?"
protested Colonel Pierce; "to obtain
it, all that is required is a great
number of steam fans similar to those
used in blast furnaces. The air is
driven by them with a force which is
practically unlimitedly, propolling it
at the speed of 1.800 kilometresan hour
—ainost that of a cannon-ball —so
that our carriages with their travellers,
in the space of two hours and forty
minutes, accomplish the journey
between Boston and Liverpool."

"Eighteen hundred kilometres an
hour!" I exclaimed.
"Not one less. And what extract-

"Not one less. And what extraordinary consequences arise from such a rate of speed! The time at Liverpool being four hours and forty minutes in advance of ours, a traveler starting from Boston at nine oclock in the morning, arrives in England at \$0.53 in the afternoon. Isn't that journey quickly made? In another sense, on the contrary, our trains, in this latitude, gain over the sum more than 900 kilometres an hour, beating that planet hand over hand; quitting Liverpool at noon, for example, the travelor will reach the station where we now are at thirty four minutes past nine in the morning—that is to say, earlier than he started? Ill at ha! I don't think one can travel quloker than that!" "Not one less. And what extraor

I did not know what to think Was I talking with a madman '-or Was I talking with a madman must I credit those fabulous the in spite of the objections which

in spite of the objectione which rose in my mind?
Very well, so be it! I said. I will admit that travelers might take this madbrained route, and that you can obtain this more dible spiced. But, when you have got this spiced how do you check it. When you come to a stop, overything mast be shattered to preces!"

Not at all a male at the Colombia.

precest"
"Not at all," replied the Colonel, shrigging his shoulders. "Between our tubes—one for the out, the other fir the home journey—consequently worked by currents going in opposite directions—a communication exists at worked by ourreuts going in opposite directions—a communication exists at every joint. When a train is approphing, an eclectric spark advertises as of the fact, left to itself, the train would continue its course by reason of the speed it had acquired, but, simply by the turning of a handle, we are able to let in the opposing currents of compressed air from the parrellel tube, and, little by little, reduce to nothing the final shock or stopping. But what is the use of all these explanations? Would not a trial be a hundred times better?

But what is the use of all those explanations? Would not a trial be a hundred times better?

And, without waiting for an answer to his questions, the Colonel pilled sharply a bright brass knob prejecting from the side of one of the tubes a panel slid amoothly in its grooves, and the opening left by its removal I preceived a row of seats, on each of which two persons inight sit comfort ably side by side

"The carriage!" exclaimed the Colonel. "Come in."

I followed him without offering an objection, and the panel immediately slid back into its place.

By the light of an celectric lamp in the roof I carefully examined the carriage I was in

the roof I carefully examined the carriage I was in Nothing could be more simple a long oylinder, comfortably upholstered, along which some fifty arm chairs, in pairs, were ranged in twenty five parallal ranks. At either and a valve regulating the atmospheric pressure, that at the farther end allowing breathable art to inter the arrange, that in front allowing for the discharge of an excess beyond the normal pressure.

pressure.

After spending a few moments on this examination, I became impatient "Well," I said, "are we not going to start."

to start?" Ging to start?" oried the Colonel. "We have started!" Started?—like that without the least jerk, was it possible? I listened attentively, trying to detect a sound of some kind that might have guided me.

of some kind that might have guided me.

If we had really started—if the Colonel had not deceived me in talking of a speed—of eighteen hundred kilometees an hour—we must already be far from any land, under the sea above our heads the huge; foam crested waves; oven at that moment, perhaps—taking; it for a monstrousea serpent of an unknown kind—whales were battering with their powerful tails our long, iron prison!

But I heard nothing out a dill umble, produced, no doubt, by the passage of our carriage, and, plunged in boundless astonishment, unable to believe in the reality of all that, had happened to me, I sat sliently, allowing the time to pass

At the end of about an hour, a sense of freshness on my forchead suddenly aroused me from the torpor into which I had sunk by degrees.

I raised my hand to my brow it was moist.

Most! Why was that? Had the

I raised my hand to my brow it was moist. Moist! Why was that? Had the tube burst under pressure of the water—a pressure which could not but be formidable, since it increases at the rate of "an atmosphere" every ten metros of depth? Had the occan broken in upon us? Evar seized upon me. Terrified, I tried to call out—and—and I found myself in my garden, generously sprinkled by a driving rain, the big drops of which had awakened me I had simply fallen asleep while reading the article devoted by an American journalist to the fantastic prejects of Oolonel Pierce—who also, I must fear has only dreamed. an American Colonel Pierco—who also, I must fear has only dreamed.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the Catholic Re

To the Editor of the Catholic Register.

DEAR SIR—Merely as a New Year's suggestion might! I ask you through your columns to invite one member of every Catholic family who reads your interesting budget and who receives a Catholic weekly newspaper that they would upon roading same send it purpost to some Protestant friend or neighbor and continue this good practice during every week in the year.

The cost is very nominal and affydis an opportunity, at very little troutle or expense, for Catholics to spread Catholic truth and information to our Protestant neighbors, a work, that in view of the present and formation to during a perhaps, under God, but the means of bringing many into our Holy Church. Faithfully yours

Onsvert.

No family living in a k-iious country should be without lar netees a Vegetable Pills. A few does taken now and then will keep the Liver active, classes the stomach and bowds from all billous may to made the stomach and bowds from all billous may for and prevent Ague Mr. 1810 and prevent a box of Paraneleo's Fells and flut them the best medicine for Fever and Ague I bave over used."

HL NIGH UNTO DEATH.

THE EXPERIENCE OF A LADY WELL KNOWN IN CONTROOK.

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Leon I Foode do Det. entropy. The Lower of Averill V. 18 situated about eight miles from Controod, Quo, and is the home of Mrs. Ada Hartwell, who has muty relatives and muserous rivers in the latter place. Mrs. Hartwell has passed through an experience who I. I.P. the de Plest thinks worthy of giving the widest publicity as many others may derive much bought have been considered a woman enjoying a healthy constitution until about two years also when is the worth of a set is more conceptly termed la grippe a disease which carried off many people in this town and vienity and in the case of numerous others left behind wrecked constitutions. Asoften happons, pneumonia followed the first symptoms of la grippe and Mrs Martwell was suck.



melt and death. The best of medical nel was summoned and Mr. Hartwell was saved from what we med to her Iransk manon at death but when ron views no came shor rounted depraced of her appeture extremely weak, and in causant shanger of a relapse and all her physical or former combined depraced and despaired of again enjoying her former copy and her appeture extremely appeared and despaired of again enjoying her former copy and health. Numerous me do mes were true but to ne axial, she was weak, dispurited and despaired of again enjoying her former copy and health. For a whole year after her attack of pneumonns she continued to langesh in this state. At last one day her husband purchased a few boxes of Dr. Williums Pink Pills. He had read of the many cures wrought by this won derful medicine but prea ured them he says, for his wife in order to be able to say, we have trued all rather than from strong faith in thom. To please the husband when after taking three bases she was able to take a short rude without feeling any fatigue. She wisely resolved to continue the treatment, and before long found that she had regained her old time strongth and she declared that she owes her recovery entirely to Dr. Williams? Bink Pills Let. winter Mrs. Hartwell 6 It a slight recurrent of it, from a weekness and again resorted to Pills and the pills the she has not been consequently such as the bod and herees than any other known modeline, and specially restor the bloom of licalth to pallid class. Fink Pills are one has or six boves for \$2.50. by addressing the few whether the consequences and active than any other shown modeline, and specially restor the bloom of licalth core shows a file of the School Board. The manugural meeting of the School Board.

Inaugural Meeting of the School Board

The mangural meeting of the Sop-arate School Board was held on the evening of the 7th. There were pre-

evening of the 7th. There were present:
Very Rev. J. J. McCann, Rev. Frs.
Hand, Rohleler, Oruise, Carberry and
McEntee, and Messrs. W. Ray, C.
Flaningan, M. Walsh, D. A. Carey, J.
Ryan and P. J. Mulqueen.
The principal business of the evening was the election of officers. This
resulted as follows:

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Chairman, Rev J. J. M.Cann, V.G.;
Sceratary, Inc. Father Rohleder; Asst.
Sceretary, Inc. Father Rohleder; Asst.
Sceretary, Mr. I. Hall; Local Superintendent, his Grace the Archimshop; Local
Imprever, Rev Inc. Obl., Solicitor, Mr. J.
J. Foy; Auditors, Messrs, J. R. Mallon
and D. A. Carey; Representative to the
High School Board, Mr. J. W. Mallon;
Representative to the rec Library Board,
Mr. H. T. Kelly.
Thostanding company

Thostanding committees were struck as follows, the first name given being the chairman in each case:

Finance—Rev. Father Cruise and Mossrs.
Mulqueen and Fannigan.
Management Rev. Father Hand and
Messrs. Ray and Carey.
Sites and Buildings—Mr. J. Ryan, Frs.
McEntee and Carberry and Messrs. Walsh
and Mn queen.

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The Finance Committee recommended the payment of a number of accounts amounting to \$100,01.

The report of the standing committee on Building and Sitos recommended that two gates be placed in the front fence of St. Francis' School; that a boarded partition be placed in the sisters' room in St. Patrick's School, and that in the rear room in the Caor Howell street School to the sisters' room in St. Patrick's School, and that in the rear room in the Caor Howell street School to correspond with the old work. The roport was adopted and the committee was also authorized to ascertain the cause of the flooling of the base ment of the St. Francis School.

Cold and Firsky Differently.—Mr.

ment of the St. Francis School.

Colly and Finner Differentiaty.—Mr.

J. W. Wilder, J.P. Lafargoville, N.Y.,
writes: "I am subject to severe attacks
of Cohe and Kidney Driffoulty, and find
larmelee s Pulls afford no great relief,
while all other remedies have failed.
They are the best niedectine I have over
used." In fact so great is the power of
this medicine to cleanse and purify, that
diseases of almost overy name and nature
are drivon from the body.