

THE IRISH CHURCH QUESTION.

Defeat of the British Government.

We learn from our telegraph despatch this morning, that the Disraeli Government has received a most signal defeat on the Irish Church question. Lord Stanley's motion to throw over the debate on Mr. Gladstone's resolutions was defeated by a majority of 60 in a very full House, and the motion to go into Committee on Mr. Gladstone's resolutions was carried by a majority of 56. It is not stated what the Government will do, but in all probability it will resign, and leave to the Liberals, who are again thoroughly united, the task of forming a government and carrying into effect, if possible, a more liberal policy towards Ireland. We shall, however, know all in a day or two.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT IN ENGLAND.

There is a bill at present before the British Parliament providing that capital punishment shall henceforth be inflicted within the precincts of the gaols. Should this pass into law public executions will henceforth cease, and the crowds that usually assemble to witness a fellow mortal pay the extreme penalty of the law will henceforth be balked of this abnormal amusement. The scenes generally witnessed at public executions are not generally of an edifying character. The majority of those who assemble on such occasions are not generally those on whose minds even the fearful spectacle of a man hanging by the neck, who is one moment in the full possession of health and the next a livid corpse, can make much impression. The descriptions that we read of their conduct in almost every place are positively shocking. They jam, and sway, and curse, and jeer, and make ribald jokes at the very foot of the scaffold, and make bets whether or not the culprit will "die game" with as much indifference as if death were a thing not to be feared, or the execution of a criminal was a scene in which there was nothing whatever of solemnity, and from which no moral might be drawn. Yet it can scarcely be supposed that every heart will be so steeled as to be insensible to all impressions of awe, or that the sight of the guilty suffering the highest punishment which can be visited on crime has not a tendency to check vice. Public executions have one undoubted superiority over private. All doubt about the sentence having been carried out must vanish when the criminal is seen suspended. The chief objection hitherto urged against the innovation now talked of is that, in the case of a wealthy or influential offender he might possibly escape the punishment that was his due. The present Bill provides for the removal of such doubts by enacting "that the sheriff, the gaoler, chaplain, and surgeon of the prison, and such other officer as the sheriff requires, shall be present; and also any Justice of the Peace for the jurisdiction to which the prisoner belongs, and such relatives of the prisoner or other persons as it seems proper to the sheriff or the visiting justices proper to admit; that as soon as possible afterwards the surgeon sign a certificate of the fact of death; that the sheriff, gaoler, and chaplain shall sign a declaration of similar effect; and that within 24 hours the coroner shall hold an inquest, at which the jury shall ascertain the identity of the body, and whether judgment was duly executed."

All this will be considerable trouble and expense, and the good that may accrue from it is doubtful. It will perhaps have a good effect on criminals, for there is more awe in the thoughts of dying in stillness and almost alone, than before a crowd, the influence of which will contribute generally to excite in him that is about to suffer a sort of desperate courage. But perhaps the Bill is a mere preliminary step to the abolition of capital punishment.

A NEW SWINDLE.—A newswindle is said to have been started in New York city, which is well calculated to deceive persons living in the country. A circular is sent out with samples of prints, which are represented to be manufactured at print works whose owners have an office in New York. Enclosed in the circular are samples of goods, of which twelve yards will be sent on receipt of one dollar, or ten yards for eighty-five cents. A messenger was recently sent to the office named, when it was found that the place was in charge of a boy, and that no business was transacted there beyond receiving letters, which usually numbered from 35 to 50 a day.

A son of Mr. Sheldon Hawley, about six years of age, died at Napanee of hydrophobia, having been bitten some four weeks since. The dog was not known to be mad, but was killed at the time of the occurrence by Mr. Hawley. Sir Henry Smith is slowly recovering from his dangerous illness.

Defeat of the British Ministry.

BY ATLANTIC CABLE.

London, April 3rd, midnight.—In the House of Commons to-night, Mr. Disraeli moved an adjournment to the 20th inst., when the House should rise to-night, if in the division the Liberals should have a majority. Then the House might go into committee on the Irish Church, report progress, and resume the debate on the 27th. He promised that the budget would be produced on the 23rd inst. Motion agreed to. The debate on the Irish Church was then resumed. London, April 4.—In the course of Mr. Disraeli's speech in the House of Commons last night, he admitted that there was something critical in the affairs of Ireland, but said there was no danger from Fenianism; that was prostrated so low that no call for revolutionary measures could be made. The Irish had always had his sympathy. He did not despise their sentimental grievances, but the Irish were not a conquered race, nor was the Church a badge of conquest.—The Tory policy was one of conciliation; they had sought to aid the Catholics in order to strengthen Protestants and attain equality. It had been successful, but Mr Gladstone proposed a change which outraged the feelings of a large and influential part of the community. What was to be thought of a statesman who should throw a firebrand into the State, and kindle the direst flames? The plan proposed was simple confiscation. Ritualists and Papists have long been plotting to seize, with the aid of the Liberal party, the supreme power of the realm, and if the present movement should succeed the Crown itself would be in danger. Mr Gladstone said much of the speech of the Premier was the result of a heated imagination. So far as the endowments of the Irish Church were concerned, the Liberals only proposed funding them for the benefit of the State revenue. Ireland had been for three years in a state of war. The Habeas Corpus was suspended, and only the great power of England had kept down disaffection. The recent Imperial State Letter was a symptom of more perilous affairs abroad, and it was necessary that the House should face this question at once. The debate ended at 2.15 a. m., and a division took place on Lord Stanley's amendment to postpone the consideration of Mr Gladstone's resolution until the next Parliament. Six hundred members voted, and the Government was defeated by 60 majority. The announcement was greeted by the wild cheers of the Liberals. On going into committee which motion was carried, Mr Gladstone's resolution was carried by a majority of 56. In Committee, Mr Gladstone moved his first resolution, that the committee report progress. Carried.

FENIANS.—Information is received to the effect that reports of Fenian preparations at Malone are groundless and probably originated with Government detectives who wish to continue in pay. A dry good clerk relates that a stylish young lady requested to see some lavender kid gloves, and was shown several different shades of that colour. Being a little puzzled by the variety, she ingeniously asked, "which of the pairs are the lavenderest?"

BIRD CAGES. Just received a variety of Bird Cages, a better assortment than ever before offered in Guelph. JOHN HORSMAN.

New Advertisements.

BOARD WANTED. By a newly married couple in a private family where no other boarders are kept. Address H. A. Mackay office. Guelph, 4th April, 1868.

SALE OF WALL PAPER! The stock of Wall Paper is extensively large, embracing an Immense Variety of Patterns of the choicest description. No one should miss this opportunity. Guelph, 4th April, 1868.

Medical Dispensary USE HARVEY'S PECTORAL BALSAM, THE best preparation in the market for the cure of COUGHS, COLDS, &c.

FOR SALE BY E. HARVEY Chemist and Druggist, Opposite the English Church, Wyndham-st., Guelph, Ontario. Guelph, 4th April, 1868.

HOUSE TO LET, WITH Garden attached. Apply to CALEB CHASE. Guelph, 2nd April 1868.

WM. STEWART. Is now showing for the Spring Trade NEW DAMASKS, NEW REPS, NEW CHINTZES, NEW LENO CURTAINS, NEW MUSLIN CURTAINS, NEW LACE CURTAINS.

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GREAT ATTRACTION.

THE GREATEST ATTRACTION OF THE SEASON IS THE DISPLAY OF NEW HATS & CAPS AT THE GUELPH CLOTH HALL A. THOMSON & CO. Guelph, 4th April, 1868.

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PELLATITE WHO CAN TELL

How Nature Colors the Peach? How Nature Colors the Plum? How Nature Colors the Green Grape, And Berries of various kinds?

Professor Esmeraldo's PELLATITE. This Pellantite is the Concrete Juice of the Fruit of the Anthemia Pyrethrum, a Brazilian Shrub that grows along the Banks of the Amazon River. This fruit and its juice possess the peculiar properties of imparting its color to the Human Hair only, and gives it an Elegant, Soft, Glossy, Brown or Black Color, promoting its rapid and luxuriant growth.—It will not stain the skin or clothing. Among Ladies and Gentlemen whose hair is turning or already become grey, the Pellantite stands as

THE VICTORIA OF ALL GREY HAIR RESTORERS! It differs from all others as follows: The Joyful Side. The Melancholy Side.

Other Preparations. Are all made of preparations of Lead, Sulphur, Lime, Chemicals and Minerals. They crystallize on the hair and makes it stiff and harsh. They stain the skin & clothing. They are filthy—excrescent.

WHAT THEY DO. They are carried to the brain by the absorption of the hair in the Head, Dizziness, Blindness, Softening of the Brain, Lunacy and Death.

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WHICH WILL YOU HAVE? WHICH WILL YOU USE? Compare them. Test them and decide. Away with filthy, dangerous Compounds, and use the clean and Harmless Pellantite.

At one bound it sweeps the field, and the old fiery crucibles of Minerals are dropped by the public like a red hot iron.

Go to your nearest Druggist and ask him to furnish you with the Pellantite. Don't fail to give it a trial, and don't wait until your Hair is destroyed or you are the inmate of a Lunatic Asylum. Go at once.

What the People Say: "It does not stain the skin, but colors the Hair immediately." "Professor—My head was sore from other Dyes—Your Pellantite healed my scalp and colored my hair beautifully."

"I am delighted with your Pellantite—I will never again use any other wash or dye." "No more lead or sulphur dyes for me—your Pellantite is a Botanic Wonder, and no mistake."

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE Household Furniture HORSES, CARRIAGES, &c.

W. S. G. KNOWLES will, by instruction from the Trustees for Mrs. Pooley, sell by public auction at Beechgrove, On Thursday the 9th of April Household Furniture, consisting of Drawing-room, Dining-room, Library, Bedroom and Kitchen Furniture, a splendid PAINTS, Pictures, Books, Glass and Chinaware, Silver, Cutlery.

Also, 2 horses, 1 cow, 1 buggy, 3 sleighs, Saddle, &c., single and double harness, light wagon, harness. Can be seen on farm at 9 o'clock on morning of day of sale.

Sale punctually at Eleven o'clock. Horses and Cow will be sold at 3 o'clock, p.m. Hoover's Carriage will leave town at a quarter to eleven o'clock on day of sale.—Fm, 25c. Guelph, 3rd April, 1868. dw

SADDLE STOLEN. TAKEN out of Mr. Romain's stable on Monday night last, a large riding saddle, a little old, but it might have been taken off by the thief. There were two girls on it. Supposed to have been taken the next day to Elora, and sold at the Fair there. Any party giving information which will lead to the recovery of the saddle will be liberally rewarded. J. H. ROMAIN. Guelph, 2nd April, 1868. dw1

BASE BALL. THE annual meeting of the Guelph "Maple Leaf" Base Ball Club will be held at Nichols Court House Hotel, On Monday Ev'g, 6th April, at half-past seven o'clock, for the purpose of electing Officers for the ensuing year, and general business. A full attendance of the members is particularly requested. WM. SUNLEY, Secretary. Guelph, 2nd April, 1868. dw

House and Lot for Sale AT A BARGAIN. FOR sale, that large and commodious Framed Dwelling House situated in East Market Square, in the Town of Guelph, immediately adjoining O'Neil's Hotel. Lot about 36 feet front, and extending through to Macdonnell-st. For particulars apply to J. O'NEIL, Esq., Barrister, Guelph, or to Messrs. BURTON & BRUCE, Barristers, Hamilton. Guelph, 1st April, 1868. dw1

TOILET SOAPS! JUST received, a large consignment of English and other Toilet Soaps, At Apothecaries' Hall, Market Square, Guelph.

Yardley's, Benbow's, Trinder's Glycerine, Brown and White Windsor, in cakes. Honey and pure Curd Soap, in bars. Also, Robinson's Silver Soap. A. B. PETRIE. Guelph, 27th March 1868. dw

SOMETHING NEW!

LIFE SIZE PORTRAITS OF CHARLES DICKENS AND CHROMO LITHOGRAPHS That cannot be distinguished from Oil Paintings, at Cuthbert's Bookstore! Guelph, 3rd April, 1868. dw

SPECIAL NOTICE. OPENED TO-DAY! New Spring Dress Goods, New Hats New and Skirtings. Guelph, March 27, 1868. A. O. BUCHAM.

Try those Splendid New Figs AT THIRTY CENTS PER BOX. Oranges and Lemons! Walnuts, Filberts, Almonds, Chocolate Creams, Gumdrops and every other Nicety. Well, but where is all this to be got? Why, where would you expect to get them first-class but at Guelph, 27th March, 1868. dw H. BERRY'S.