

of his eloquence; but, disdaining the gold-beating system, which from one ounce of ore can cover eleven acres of land, he brought the dearly treasured frankincense of his own and his country's enthusiasm, and sent it reeking through the great man's brain. He portrayed the once prostrate state of their enthralled country—laws suspended and altars overturned—the adder of political perfidy poisoning the pleasant flowers of social life, and the blind mole of sectarian hatred mining away the mould of existence. Blasted and bereaved of all its beauty, he asked, who has restored bloom the flower and extirpated those noxious things from the land? He pointed to the hand which had hung sunshine on the earth of millions of hearts—he brought the sea of penal enormity roaring through the deep chasms of recollection, and he mocked at its impotence as he exclaimed—"Against him be thy proud waves stayed!" He built a rampart on the shore, and he inscribed thereon—

OLD IRELAND AND DANIEL O'CONNELL!

(From the London Tablet)
IRELAND.

SISTER OF MERCY.—Died, on the 11th of September, in the convent of our Lady of Mercy, Tullamore, Sister Mary Josephine Green. She died of a disease hereditary in her family—a consumption. She was a daughter of wealthy and respectable Protestant parents in the city of Kilkenny. Her days were few in religious seclusion. Having quitted the vanities of this world, she entered the convent about five years since, and devoted her time most actively and successfully to the duties of their order, in doing the corporal and spiritual works of mercy. A numerous attendance of the clergy of the surrounding country, to the distance of fifteen miles, assisted at the office and obsequies offered for her repose on the morning of the 13th. A procession of the nuns, with lighted tapers in their hands, and the

clergy chanting the mournful but hopeful prayers of the Church, proceeded from the oratory in the convent through the hall, garden, and ground at the rear of the convent, and returned to the vault, where the coffin was laid and immediately sealed up. May she rest in peace.

Dean Coll gratefully acknowledges the receipt of £3 from the Earl of Devon for the relief of the Catholic poor of Newcastle.

CLONES.—We regret to learn that the Rev. Mr. Tierney, Catholic priest, on the 12th instant, was drowned in the canal near Clones. The coroner, Mr. Trotter, has passed through town to hold an inquest. We have not heard how the sad event occurred.—*Cork Reporter*.

NAAS.—On Wednesday, the 13th instant, his lordship Dr. Haly administered the holy sacrament of Confirmation to 120 children in the parish chapel at Naas. The discourse of his lordship was deeply impressive, blending the zeal of the apostle and the simplicity of the pastor with the affection of the father. In the evening the distinguished P.P., the Rev. G. Doyle, entertained his lordship and a large company of clergymen, and other gentlemen at a sumptuous dinner, which was served up in first rate style in the splendid school room in the Convent of Mercy. When told that the site on which the chapel and convent now stand, and where bloom so many flowers, was some years ago a mere marsh, the lines of Pope's "Messiah" come to the mind,

"The swain in barren deserts with surprise,
Sees lillies spring, and sudden verdure rise."

—*Freemans Journal*.

RIGHT REV. DR. BURKE.—The Right Rev. Dr. Patrick Burke, Bishop of Elphin, after a long and severe illness, expired at his residence in Turloe, near Ballymoe, on Friday, the 15th inst. After the solemn high mass and office for the repose of his soul, his lordship's remains were interred with due solemnity on Monday last. Dr. Burke was consecrated bishop and chosen as coadjutor to the late Right Rev. Dr. George Thomas Plunkett in 1819, and succeeded him in 1827. Until lately he resided in Sligo, and it appears not to have improved his health by changing it for Turloe. After being twenty-four years a bishop, he died much regretted, in the 65th year of his age, of a cancer in his stomach.

THE CROSS,
A WEEKLY PAPER,
Wholly devoted to the Interests of the **ROMAN**
Catholic Church,

Is printed and published every FRIDAY afternoon, at the Register office, by John P. Walsh. The yearly Subscription is FIVE SHILLINGS, in advance. All letters must be post paid to receive attention.