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without a murmur, nay, wind vexations and inconveniences of an indirect taxation (of which the greater part of the revenue is composed,) because part of the revenue is composed, becaus habit has long familiarized them with th discomfort of this harrassing mode of pro ceading. They think themselves rich, be cause they buy and sell dearly. They consider the public wealth proof against every shock, because it rests upon a system of credit, the inconceivableabuse of which has not caused it to give way. They think the nation powerful, because there was a tin when, multiplying loans without troublin themselves about the means of reimbursement, the English Government bought the blood of Continental nations, created armies opposed people to people, and by these ropean politics. They fancy, with wonted pride, that British supremacy musthold per petual sway, because their ambassador maintain in certain courts the lofty language which they affiected thirty years ago; and because garrisons, factories, military an commercial settlements are established a places, the immense distance of which from each other is in some part concealed by the each other in in some part concealed by the ubiquitous power of the English Fleets. In a words, the most inconceivable illusion cona words, the most inconceivable illusion con- verts into a species of national pride, that verts into a species of national pride, that which should be a subject of painful refle- xion and real disquietude.--Baron d'HausTreatment of Epic Poets and Philosophers, Ancient and Modern- - " Know thy- self," said the Greek sage, and he was woruttered anything besides that laconic volume. "Seven cities claim the birth of Homer dead, Thro' which when living Homer begg'd his bread." Dante was imprisoned, banished, and sentence of death passed upon him if he ever returned to his country. Had Shakspeare been an epic poet, we should have been al- most induced to believe that his banishment had been more especially effected to prove the consistency of ignorance with respect to writers of conclude that it is, however, w ly to make good the charter by which the highest genius is held, and as though to show that the [world's accustomed rule of conduct towards its most extraordinary benefactors could admit of no exception. If Milton had depended for his bread upon'the emolument to be derived from Paradise Lost or any of his other poems, it is quite clear that he would have starved. His long life of literary labour, whether in keeping a daytellect, never produced for him anything bewas obliged to fly the country, owing to a was obiged to fly the country, owing to a political disturbance," and, directly he ven- tured to return, was thrown into prison. Spenser's poverty and ruined hopes form a long and melanchor of ancients and moly story. We shall speak because men of genius belong to all times and countries and countries. Socrates, Seneca, Longinus, Boetius, \&c. were all burdered with barbarous, systematic cruelty; their only crim being their wisdom and virtue tude measured the baseness of their executioners with a smile These unnatural trage- dies, however dies, however well known, cannot be too of- ten mentioned. Would that they could be invariably written upon the sky at noonday ! chief offence being an attempt to promulgate heathenism tolerated. This was considered as impiety. He, however, treated his senbeen of death as a puerility, saying, "It had brounced upon him by Nature long ago." When asked if he would have his reclined the favour, remarking " that it would not shorten the distance to the other side of quite as . Probably this high stoicism had ing of Pericles; as he was banished instead. Zeno, the Eleatic, appears to have been put to the torture, and to have endured it with unshaken resolution: and Aristotle, after ger) according to Suidas, took poison. Ju-


hius Canius for his superior wisdom was con emned and suffered death-which he me nith equal superioriy. We shall not pause tise to our memory, having mentioned the greatest; yet with respect to poets,
ee cannot refrain from alluding to the ee cannot refratin from alluding to the many more-nearly all the rest, we ain of banditti, who kissed the hand of Tasso when he had fallen into his power, after be
ng driven into exile by the Prince. Camoens, after passing a life of dangerous vicissi-
udes, and meeting with no reward, either for his acknowledged poetical genius, or for his military services and wounds, was supported
during his latter days by the begging of a slave who had previously saved him from shipwreck, and who continued faithful to him amidst hunger and misery. Camoens His epitaph conveys a severe reproach, which we ought all of us to feel, for there is no saying how near our own times may "turn
out" to resemble his. "Here lies Louis de Camoens. He excelled all the poets of hi hime. He lived poor and miserable, and he
died so." A few years afterwards, a highsounding inscription was engraved upon the
same tomb! This was an example of the utter absence of conscience and shame! There upon the Persian poet Ferdausi, who met the ansual fate, is more definitely pointed,-
" When the great Sultan died, all his power and glory departed from him; and nothing
remained whereby he could be recollected except this single historical fact-that h knew not the worth of Ferdausi !"-Exposi-
tion of the False Medium excluding Meno Genius from the Public. ing, nearly the whole of Dover was either upon the Piers, the Heights, or Marine Pa rade, to wituess a chase of a singular kind.-
A . Curtess and his lady had been living there at the City of London Hotel six weeks. On Wednesday, a Monsieur Sole, a French gentleman, with a wooden leg, tall and good
looking, arrived at the same hotel. On Friday morning, the lady of Mr. Curtess left
his bed cautiously, and started off with M. Sole for Calais in a fine four-oared galley.-Soon after Mr. Curtess discoyered his loss,
and pursued the parties in a 35 -feet six-oared galley; the men were to paid $£ 8$ for their
trouble. About three or four miles from shore the rival boats came together after a smart chase. The husband lay in the botalongside his runaway wife's boat, he jump ed up. This so frightened the lady that she fainted of course, and went into the most appalling fits. A dreadful sea fight then en-
sued; oars, boat-hooks, \& c., were used with the greatest effiect on both sides. The crew of M. Sole's boat at last gave in, in consequence of the terror they were in of having
had a hole stove through her bottom by the had a hole stove through her bottom by the
terrific agitation of M. Sole's wonden leg. terrific agitation or M. Sole s wonden leg.Curtess weeping bitter tears, with her hair, like Niobe's, hanging in negligent festoons
over her face and back, and the husband looking alternately at his wife and at th proprietor of the wooden leg. M. Sole, it is proprietor or gre woocenour, and his wooden
said, gained great honate
leg, during the celebrated three days in Paleg, during the
ris.-Globe

## Mriscellaneous.

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Marquis of Bristol.-The Galway Fre Rev. Dr. Collins, that the Marquis of Bris tol has renounced protestantism, and embraced the faith of the church of Rome.The Marquis was formerly an inveterate opponent of cathol
of catholic doctrine.
Methodist Conference.-The annual ge neral confer-nce of the Wesleyan Methodist
Society is at present being held in Manches Society is at present being held in Manches-
ter. The conference opened on Wednesday morning last, in o'clock; and at six the busi-


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ness proceedings were commenced. The President of Conference for the the Rev. Fdmund Grind ensuing year superintendent of the Salford circuit ards of 430 ministers were present at the irst day's sitting of conference.-Liverpool The Egyptian army having effected its re y forces, on the morning of the eft the road-stead of Bujukdere (Constantiople) on their return homewards. The King of Prussia left Potsdam on the xpected, to be joined by the Emperor ustria; and between them the whole sysmany was to be discussed, and the measures fr repression of the press, and the developave been some time in preparation, which be endued with their final warrantry

HOUSE OF LORDS, Aug. 2 Earl Grex moved the third reading of the hurch temporalities' (Ireland) bill. This said, he would rather lose his existence than give his assent to a bill which proceeded pon a principle that must destroy the pon a principle that must destroy the esta- lished episcopal form of ecclesiastical dis cipline. The Duke of Weliningtox could not but feel that this measure, in the variety of its details, was exceedingly injurious to he church, and he had no doubt whatever, hat, sooner or later, some measure must be roposed in order to relieve the church of some of the burthens imposed upon it; but otwithstanding that he highly disapproved of these provisions, it was impossible for these provisions, it was impossible for him, with the opinion he entertained of the necessity of some measure of this description, to concur in any vote against the third eading of this bill. He could not avoid eing the difficulty in which the Church of reland was placed, and the more he considered it the more he was convinced of the necessity of agreeing to this measure. Their ordships would ask whether this measure was likely to give security and tranoullity o the church? He did not take upon himelf to answer that question It was impossibie to say whether it would give security and tranquillity to the church of this he was certin that or or later this measure must be altered for the benefit of the hurch. In the mean time it would give the hurch a little breathing time, and enable its inisters beneficialy to continue their la- bours some time longer for the benefit and advantage of the country. Many noble lords contended that, if this measure did not pro- duce all the benefits contemplated from it, hey ought to oppose it: his opinion was, hat he ought to do that which would keep he church in existence. Lord Eximnbo- ough opposed the bill. The Duke of Gloucester said, he should vote against the iill. The Duke of Buckingiam asked, if this bill passed for Ireland, why might not land? It was well known that, if the meaure should be adopted, the Dissenters of this country would never more pay church ress, and they had already acted upon the ught to be adopted, but most cerfainly not his. If the church was to fall, let it, at made for it, and not through the degeneracy of those who were bound to support it. He would now move, as an amendment, that the bill be read that day six months. The Marquis of Lansbowne contended, that this measure would rally round the church all its best friends, and conciliate all the respecford, HaddingTon, and Bixiey opposed he bill. The House then divided upon the motion, that this bill be read a third time when their appeared

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