

EDITORIAL NOTES.

DURING the return of Candidate Bryan to Lincoln, Neb., his fellow-townsmen became so excited about his nomination at Chicago that they painted his house for him.

BISHOP HARKINS, of Providence, R. I., proves his sympathy with the Catholic press of the United States. He has deputed a priest to preach on it each Sunday through the diocese.

REV. D. T. O'SULLIVAN will apply to the Holy See for the beatification of Father Juges, the Jesuit missionary to the Mohawk Indians who was tortured and killed in Montgomery county, New York, on Oct. 18, 1646.

A NEW ENGLAND Unitarian minister declares that "the time has come when the Protestant pulpit should speak out in condemnation of those individuals and societies who are misrepresenting the Roman Catholic citizens of this republic."

SPEAKING at London recently, Sir Walter Besant prophesied that a split would occur before many years between England and her colonies. He thought everything went to show that Canada and Australia would become separate republics within twenty-five years.

THE 200th anniversary of the birth of St. Alphonsus, founder of the Redemptorist Order, and 25th anniversary of the proclamation naming him a Doctor of the Church, will be celebrated at St. Ann's, in this city, next Sunday, with great éclat. His Grace Archbishop Fabre will officiate at Pontifical High Mass at 10 o'clock.

THE Kansas Court of Appeals has just rendered a decision in a certain case before it, the effect of which is to declare unconstitutional the law under which divorces have been granted in that State for the last twenty-years. It is estimated that by this decision about fifty thousand divorces that have been granted in Kansas during that period will be rendered invalid in law.

AS American tourist standing on the decks of the Quebec boat on an evening last week, and gazing in a contemplative mood towards the huge pile of mud called the dyke which scars the bosom of the mighty river in front of our city, asked a gentleman who was standing near him if they were cutting down an island over there. The American in our estimation delivered himself, quite unconsciously perhaps, of one of the keenest and best expressions of censure yet passed upon the dyke project.

A. O. H.

The Establishment of a Celtic Chair in the Catholic University at Washington Announced.

At the recent Convention of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, held at Detroit, the Hon. Maurice F. Wilber, of Philadelphia, made the following interesting remarks regarding the endeavor of the members of the Order to establish a chair from which the Irish language and literature would be taught. He said that he felt it was a subject of congratulation, the great work of establishing the Hibernian Chair at the Catholic University at Washington, a chair from which the Irish language, literature and traditions would be taught. The chair had been founded by the patriotic and Catholic devotion of the humble members of the Order. It was only proper to say tonight that the suggestion was not really his, but was the idea of a man who was there that night, honored and respected, the brother of the Ancient Order of Hibernians, looked up to and beloved, the Hon. Thomas Addie Weadock, who justly felt an honest pride in the establishment of the chair for teaching the history of Ireland—a language in which most perfect laws had been framed 1,000 years before Justinian's Code was written. It was for the language and history of Irish civilization, pure and perfect; the language in which St. Patrick converted the people, as no other people ever was converted, without one drop of blood being shed. It was the language of Brian Boru, of Sarsfield, and of Robert Emmet. And we should understand that it was the language of the men who had made this mighty Republic what it is to-day. If any one disputes our loyalty we shall generally find it is an English Tory who does so, or the descendant of a runaway at the time of the Civil war. Who was more loyal than the father of the American navy, Jack Barry? What of Bunker's Hill? We should have an opportunity of paying off old scores. As for A. F. A. M., let it alone. But if any one presumes to interfere with our rights we can look after ourselves. The establishment of the Irish chair was an eminently proper monument; and his desire was to see the Ancient Order of Hibernians grow in happiness, peace and prosperity.

Bishop Foley submitted the report of the committee appointed to raise the fund to endow a chair of Irish literature in the Catholic University, showing that all but a thousand dollars of the required \$50,000 had been raised, and said the fund would be completed before the convention adjourned.

A special meeting of the Hochelaga County Board of the Ancient Order of Hibernians was held in their hall, on Monday, the 26th inst., to welcome the

delegates from the National Convention in Detroit, but they were hardly prepared for the pleasant surprise in store for them, when State President O'Neill, of Portland, Me., made his appearance accompanied by two stalwart Hibernians carrying a large case which was laid carefully on the platform. Curiosity was at fever heat when Bro. O'Neill stepped on the platform and, on removing the covering, disclosed to the view of the admiring delegates photos of the well known features of the members of the Uniformed Rank of Portland, Me., who were the guests of the Hibernians of this city on last St. Patrick's day, and whose splendid military appearance on our streets was the grand feature of the parade, and whose exquisite fancy drill in the Windsor Hall on that evening will be ever fresh in the memory of those who were so fortunate as to be present on that occasion.

Bro. O'Neill, who, by the way, is a natural born orator, in a neat speech made the presentation on behalf of the Portland Rank as a souvenir of their pleasant visit to this city, and trusted that in the near future the Portland brothers would have the pleasure of entertaining the Montreal boys in Portland.

County President Clarke, in a suitable address, begged Bro. O'Neill to convey to the brothers in Portland our high appreciation of the beautiful gift, and that as long as the Order existed in this city we would ever cherish this memento of the generosity of the Uniformed Rank. After extending to Bro. O'Neill a standing vote of thanks the meeting adjourned and the delegates in a body proceeded to the Grand Trunk depot, forming an escort to Bro. O'Neill, who left by the Eastern train.

There are thirty-five photographs enclosed in a massive oak frame, which is about 6 feet wide by 5 feet high and is valued at \$200.

OBITUARY.

MRS. JOHN MOORE.

The funeral of Mrs. John Moore, whose death was announced on Monday, took place yesterday morning and was one of the largest which has been seen in St. Ann's Ward for many years.

The deceased, some weeks before her death, had celebrated her 90th birthday. She was born in Kerry, Ireland, and came to this country a half century ago. Mrs. Moore was one of those true-hearted, loyal Irishwomen whose devotion to the Church and the land of their birth was immeasurable. She was also a splendid type of a kind-hearted, indulgent mother, whose life was spent in a series of self sacrifices to her family.

The funeral of Mr. Wm. McNichols, at the ripe age of 75 years, took place on Monday, July 20th, from his residence, 387 St. Denis, to the Church of St. James. Notwithstanding the unfavorable state of the weather, the attendance was very large, and what was somewhat remarkable, among those who had come to offer this last tribute of respect to the deceased were two gentlemen lately hailing from Magherafelt, Co. Derry, Ireland, who, from reading the name in the papers, were kind enough to request permission to view the corpse and to pray for the repose of the soul of their venerable compatriot and fellow-townsmen. Having been appointed Dominion Immigrant Agent, a position which he held for 21 years, he was ever ready to give valuable assistance and advice to the stranger landing on our shores. While at St. Liboire, County Bagin, where he acted as G.T.R. agent, and before any Circuit Court was created there, he was often appealed to with success, as peacemaker, whenever any difficulty arose among the parishioners. He leaves two sons, Mr. Jas. McNichols, accountant in the Sheriff's Office, and Mr. Robert McNichols, druggist, St. Catherine street. The family have the sympathy of a large circle of friends of deceased. *Requiescat in pace.*

CATHOLIC SAILORS' CLUB CONCERT

"Rich and rare were the gems" presented at last Thursday's concert in the cosy little hall of the Club. Mr. P. J. Gordon presided in his usual good style and offered a capital programme which gave great pleasure. The presence of Hon. Judge and Mrs. Curran, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. McNamee, who are interested in this good work, and Mr. J. A. U. Beaudry, a professional gentleman, was noticed with pleasure. A pleasant surprise was the attendance and valuable assistance of St. Mary's Church choir, under the skillful direction of the organist, Prof. J. Wilson. Miss Wheeler opened with a piano solo; then citizens and seamen followed:—J. Sheridan, a popular young musician, gave a violin solo with good effect; Joseph Rankin, song; Little Miss L. Coghlan, song; E. Linton, seaman, recited "Horatius"; Miss Cranston, in beautiful voice, sang, "By Killarney"; Miss Cranston and Miss Sharpe rendered a duet, "True till death" in fine style; Messrs. Hamill and Miller, banjo duet, were loudly applauded. C. A. Bernstein was splendid in his beautiful dances, "Sailors' hornpipe" and "Sword dance." Little Miss N. Coghlan banjo solo; Mr. F. Butler, Messrs. Read and Milloy, songs; Mr. Brash, seaman, recitation, song and dance. Here Master Shea was introduced and delighted all with his wonderful violin solos; T. Emblem, song; Miss Cranston and Miss Sharpe, duet, "May Peace and Joy attend"; Miss Maud Collins, piano—Irish airs; Mr. Trainor, song. A staff of gentlemen ushers were kept busy seating the kind visitors. Everybody should pay a visit to this nice little place of amusement before the close of the season.—F. C. L.

PRINTING OFFICE ETIQUETTE.

A lady asks us whether etiquette requires one to knock at the door of an editor's sanctum before entering. We hasten to reply. If you are coming to pay your subscription or bring in a nice juicy item of news, don't stop to knock, but just walk right in as if you owned the place. If, on the other hand, you are out on a collecting tour, you should make the fact known through the window, and then knock at the door until the editor opens it. You may sink down from exhaustion before he does so, but you will be adhering to the printing office etiquette that is bound to please the average editor.—Exchange.

OUR OBSERVER

HAS SOMETHING TO SAY ON THE TRIALS OF STREET CAR CONDUCTORS.

TRIBUTE OF PRAISE TO THE HONORABLE JUSTICES DOHERTY AND CURRAN—THE VALUE OF OBEDIENCE—A HINT TO ALD. PENNY, M.P.—OTHER INTERESTING MATTERS.

The life of a street car conductor brings with it a full quota of crosses and a large excess of petty annoyances. In fact, the average conductor is subjected to more irritation, daily, than is required to start a South American insurrection and have a large surplus on hand. Certain individuals, who carry ar and more car tickets than powers of perception, are seemingly never happy except when nagging at the weary conductor. One of this genus waited for a St. Lawrence street car some days ago on the southeastern corner of Notre Dame and St. Francois Xavier streets. The cars do not stop at that particular corner but on the western side of St. Francois Xavier, as a "stop" sign clearly indicates. A car came along and stopped at the sign, while our man calmly waited on the off side for it to come to him. It came all right, and rode by oblivious of his presence, heedless of the uplifted right hand which demanded a halt. So far, so good. The very next evening this identical person managed to scramble aboard a moving closed car at the same corner, and having secured a central location, proceeded to open up. He sailed for the conductor personally, the Street Railway Coy., particularly and the blooming monopolies generally. The conductor retired to as great a distance as the confines of the car would permit, but the outraged citizen still held forth. He exhausted his own grievances and then proceeded to dwell upon the difficulties and annoyances to which his relatives, friends and acquaintances had been put to on more than several occasions, by this rights trampling civic incursions! He wound up by expressing himself favorable to an organized boycott of the Company—after which he got a transfer to St. Catherine street east and left the car and fifteen or twenty people whom he had bored for a good ten minutes and who wished him all speed right through to the Orient and farther. This windy, unreasonable, kicking individual is a general nuisance who pervades every sphere and is in his particular element on a street car. He should be made ride on top.

In selecting Hon. Justice C. J. Doherty as a delegate to the Irish National Convention in Dublin, the meeting on Thursday night last did a decidedly proper act. The learned Judge has been identified with the Irish movement for a number of years, and under every and all circumstances he has proven himself true to the cause. He was fearless and constant when others were weak and timid, wavering and recreant. If Montreal's representation were limited to one, Hon. Justice Charles J. Doherty has merited the privilege of being that one.

The same may be said of the Hon. Justice Curran, whose voice and pen has been used for a quarter of a century in the great cause of the betterment of the Irish race in this country. Obedience in a child is praiseworthy and a virtue to be highly commended and encouraged. The boy who stood on the burning deck, "whence all but he fled," is often held up as a model before the eyes of the youthful student. I don't think the tale impresses the youth of to-day very forcibly and I am almost certain had Bianca's father survived the catastrophe he would have sincerely wished that his son had been less obedient and more discreet. Budding young men, if, for some misbehavior on your part, your father or mother orders you to your room with instructions to remain there until called, and in the meantime, a fire should break out on the premises, await not the parental order until they locks are singed, but his hence the destitute of ceremony but rich in the possession of thy wonderful agility. Thus you may live to be truly and reasonably obedient for years.

The asphalt roadway on St. James street is badly worn, uneven and "holey." What a howl the local press would have made long ago if Contractor Cochrane had put down this pavement! He didn't do the job, and I suppose, it is taken for granted that the other honest fellows did the best they could.

Apropos of street cars, a rather laughable scene occurred at the junction of St. Catherine street and Green avenue last week. A determined, strong-minded woman would insist upon a car continuing straight out St. Catherine street towards the Glen, while the conductor and motorman showed a preference for the route towards Sherbrooke street. The lady passenger, whose bump of combativeness must be abnormally developed, made quite a rumpus for a time, but the majority ruled and the minority got a longer ride for her money. What a gay old time there would be all round if the car routes were governed by the varying whims of each passenger!

In a few weeks hence it may devolve upon Ald. Penny, M.P., to organize a monster delegation to call upon Premier Laurier in reference to that 1897 exhibition grant.

I have read about snakes fascinating birds and luring them to their doom. I have observed bicyclists who are attracted by some invisible magnetic power to the rear end of a trolley car. I am real sorry for the little birds and the relatives of the bicyclists may always count on my sympathy.

It may hardly be good "taste" to venture the remark that the Hon. Mr. Tarte will have a "sweet" time as Minister of Public Works.

WALTER R.

The proposal to hold in London next year a great international congress of

librarians is taking definite shape. Already some two hundred members of the American Library Association have expressed their desire to take part in the undertaking.

ST. ANN'S CHURCH

IMPOSING SERVICES IN HONOR OF THE FEAST OF ST. ANN.

Never before has St. Ann's Parish witnessed such grand decorations as it did on the Feast of St. Ann. At both services the church was crowded with the faithful, among whom were noticed many strangers. The interior of the church was a beautiful sight to behold, especially the main altar, which was surmounted with about two hundred relics, the principal one being that of St. Ann.

At 10 a. m., Grand Mass was sung by Rev. Father Flynn, C.S.S.R., assisted by deacon and sub-deacon, the sermon for the occasion being preached by Rev. Fr. Catulle, C.S.S.R., Superior of the Redemptorist Order in Canada, who, in an eloquent manner, described the virtues of Good St. Ann.

The musical portion of the service was rendered in an excellent manner, the choir's rendition of Van Bree's Mass being all that could be desired. At the Offertory, Master J. J. Shea, a talented young violinist, son of Mr. J. S. Shea, City and District Savings Bank, played a "Berceuse," by Vieuxtemp. This somewhat difficult composition was admirably rendered by the youthful player, who is one of Montreal's rising young Irish musicians. Mr. J. Morgan conducted, and Mr. P. J. Shea, musical director, presided at the organ.

The evening service, at 7 o'clock, was as follows:—Rosary, sermon by Rev. Fr. Flynn, procession of the ladies of the Parish, and Grand Benediction, with Rev. Father Catulle, C.S.S.R., as celebrant.

Parce Domini, Choir: Tota Pulchra Est, (Reims), Mr. Edward Quinn and Choir; Jesu Dei Vivi, (Verdi), Messrs. J. Morgan, W. Murphy and Edw. Quinn; Tantum Ergo, (Millaud), Mr. R. Hiller and Choir; Laudate Dominum, (Lambilliotte), Choir.

IRISH MUNICIPAL COUNCILS.

Armagh, the See of St. Patrick, has a Catholic Archbishop who is a Cardinal of the Holy Roman Church, and the Primate of all Ireland. One would think, therefore, that in a city like Armagh, with its large population of Catholics, as intelligent as any body of Christians in Ireland or out of it, that they could elect a representative who would see to their interests as ratepayers, on the Municipal Council of the city, but it seems they cannot, though they have tried year after year to do so. Lately, the Catholics had intended to take no more notice of municipal elections after seeing how things went in 1890. It is true that the law steps in to prevent them from returning a Catholic, through the working of an exclusive franchise, but this, even, could be done away with by manly and persistent action. This year again another attempt is to be made to break through those barriers of Protestantism and to gain entrance to the Chamber. The local papers announce that some five or six Catholic gentlemen have been nominated for seats on the Board of Commissioners, and these have been endorsed by the Rev. Father Quinn, the Administrator. In a few months the provisions of the Towns Improvement Act will be extended to the city, and in view of this the Catholic body are putting on their armor for the contest, but in the meantime they will not meddle with the election about to come off.

ABENAKIS HOUSE, ABENAKIS SPRINGS, QUE.

LIST OF ARRIVALS, JULY 22.

James Withell, Mrs. Withell, Mrs. C. Sheppard, Sr., S. J. Orstein, Mrs. Orstein, Miss Rothwell, J. C. Rose, Mrs. Rose, Mrs. Laframme, Mrs. P. Henderson, Miss Sadie Bordeaux, Miss Roy Bordeaux, Mrs. John Henderson, Miss Smith, J. B. Layton, Mrs. Layton, Mrs. W. Angus, Mrs. D. Lariviere, Miss G. Higgins, E. Luckhurst, Mr. Chapman, Mrs. Chapman, J. Callow, Mrs. Callow, Mrs. C. Sheppard, Jr., Miss Gertie Sheppard, Master Harry Henderson, Miss Gertie Henderson, J. A. Reid, A. R. Angus, W. S. Stevenson, W. L. Louson, Miss Gilmore, Montreal.

J. Harvey Roy, Back River. Mrs. A. C. Kuehland, Bedford. Mrs. Henry E. Steel, Ottawa.

Dr. Thomas Hyland, Mrs. Hyland, Concord, N.H. Mrs. W. F. Anderson, Huntingdon. Mr. Stewart, Mrs. Stewart, Toronto.

H. O. Loiseleur, Jos. de Gonzac, Pierreville. J. V. Robillard, St. Francois du Lac. W. H. Sormany, Ste. Therese.

Geo. Desile, Nicolet. G. H. Ravels, J. H. McWilliams, Sherbrooke.

R. H. Angus, J. Mandez, Westmount. Dr. E. McLaughlin, Mrs. McLaughlin, Richmond.

Archdeacon Lindsay, Mrs. Lindsay, Waterloo. C. L. McDougall, Mrs. McDougall, Lennoxville.

Victor Pigeon, Mrs. Pigeon, Longueuil. Miss Mary Williams, Miss Emma Williams, Detroit, Mich.

D. H. Gagnon, Mrs. Gagnon, Centreville, R.I. F. St. Jacques and wife, Ste. Hyacinthe.

Carl W. Kempton, Philadelphia, Pa.

A CATHOLIC AMBASSADOR.

An Irish Catholic, Sir Roderick O'Connor, was last year appointed ambassador to St. Petersburg, and now we learn that Viscount Llandaff, also a Catholic, succeeds the Marquis of Dufferin as our ambassador in Paris. The Viscount is better known as Mr. Henry Matthews, whose appointment to the Home Secretaryship during Lord Salisbury's previous administration raised such an outcry among the fanatics, because of his religion. Lord Llandaff is pre-eminently a fearless, strong-willed man, proud of his Catholic faith, and, as he speaks French like a Parisian and is very wealthy, there is little doubt but that he will set the fashion in religious matters and that any Frenchmen who attempt a fashionable sneer at religion in his presence will be promptly extinguished.

DELEGATES SELECTED

FOR THE NATIONAL CONVENTION AT DUBLIN.

AN ENTHUSIASTIC MEETING, THE KEY-NOTE OF WHICH WAS THAT UNITY SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED IN THE RANKS OF THE IRISH PARTY.

The adjourned meeting of the representatives of the Irish societies of Montreal, called for the purpose of selecting delegates to the National Convention in Dublin, was held on Thursday evening last in the St. Patrick Society's hall, Dr. E. J. C. Kennedy presiding, and Mr. M. A. Phelan acting as secretary.

In addition to the delegates present at the first meeting, there were in attendance Messrs. Timothy O'Connor and W. Rawley, representing the William O'Brien branch of the Land League; Messrs. Doody and Foley of St. Anthony's Young Men's Society, and Messrs. McCaffrey and Crowe of St. Mary's Young Men's Society.

By the unanimous consent of the delegates Messrs. T. Butler and W. J. McKenna were admitted as representatives of the Shamrock A.A.A.

After the reading and adoption of the minutes of the preceding meeting, it was decided, in order to facilitate matters and bring them to a satisfactory conclusion, that none but duly authorized delegates should take part in the discussion or vote. This precluded gentlemen non-delegates who were present in some number, and a few of whom were anxious to be heard and have a voice in transacting the business of the evening, from taking part. However, the decision to confine the meeting to accredited representatives was obviously correct, and prevailed.

The question of the expenses of the Dublin delegation brought forth several opinions, and was ultimately settled in an amicable manner, after which the principal business of the evening, the election of the representatives to the Convention, was proceeded with, and the following gentlemen unanimously chosen:

Rev. Father O'Meara and Rev. Father McCallan, Hon. ex-Judge Marcus Doherty, Hon. Judge J. J. Curran, Hon. Judge C. J. Doherty, ex-Alderman Cunningham, Ald. Kinsella, H. J. Kavanagh, Q.C., Dr. J. J. Guerin, M.L.A., Dr. E. J. C. Kennedy, Patrick Wright, Tobias Butler, president of the Shamrock A.A.A., and Edward Halley.

On motion of Mr. Butler, it was decided to extend complimentary invitations to accompany the delegates to the different Irish parish priests of the city, and to Sir William Hingston, Mr. M. J. F. Quinn, Q.C., M.P., Hon. Jas. McShane, Judge Purcell, Ald. Connaughton, ex-Ald. Tansey and Mr. John Hatchette.

A credential committee, consisting of the chairman and the secretary, with Messrs. P. F. McCaffrey, B. Wall and Ed. Quinn, was appointed.

All credentials of delegates must be filed at 24 Rutland Square, Dublin, by August 1st.

During the evening a letter was read from Mr. P. F. Cronin, secretary of the Toronto delegation, suggesting that the different Canadian representatives should meet prior to their departure to Ireland and formulate some plan of action. It is probable that this meeting will be held in Montreal a few days before sailing.

In bringing the meeting to a close, Dr. Kennedy thanked everyone present for the good will which prevailed throughout the meeting and the enthusiasm so generally shown in the interests of a cause so dear to the heart of every true Irishman or son of Irishman—the realization of Ireland's long cherished hopes, Home Rule. These hopes, said the speaker, would never be fulfilled until Ireland's sons stood united, shoulder to shoulder, in support of a common cause, and it was to bring about this union, this cohesiveness amongst our fellow-Nationalists in the Old Land, that we were sending men to Dublin, and he felt satisfied that, if the gentlemen elected by them should sit in the Convention at Dublin in September, Montreal would have good reason to be proud of the choice of her Irish citizens. After a hearty vote of thanks to the chairman, the meeting adjourned.

CARDINAL GIBBONS.

The Baltimore correspondent of the New York Freeman's Journal presents the following brief pen picture of Cardinal Gibbons:—

"His Eminence Cardinal Gibbons, who is now at Cape May, will celebrate his 63d birthday next Thursday, in his usual quiet, unostentatious way. Aug. 16 will be the twenty-eighth anniversary of his consecration as Vicar Apostolic of North Carolina, which took place in the Cathedral of Baltimore, Bishop Becker, of Savannah, being consecrated at the same time, and Archbishop Spalding the consecrator. From North Carolina the Cardinal was transferred to the See of Richmond, Va. From there he was assigned as coadjutor to Archbishop Bayley of Baltimore, and on his death succeeded to the full title and government of this see. His elevation to the cardinalate was the climax of the honors bestowed upon him.

His Eminence is of very fragile build, and has generally the appearance of one in very ill health. But I have never heard of his having any organic trouble, and his powers of endurance are marvellous.

There is not a more industrious man in the United States, and one wonders how he is able to accomplish so much. Notwithstanding his exacting and never-ending duties and his advance in years, the Cardinal seems in nowise inclined to have an assistant. He seems to prefer to be alone in the performance of his enormous work, and it would be no surprise if he would thus continue until his great career in life is ended.

The Boston Herald says: O'm Kruger appears to be an amiable, manly old fellow. His manifest desire that Jameson and his companions shall not be severely punished for their attempt on the integrity of the

Transvaal, as well as his magnanimous conduct throughout the whole affair, places him in a most agreeable light. What the old man wants now is a few lessons in religious tolerance so that his anti-Catholic ideas may be toned down.

A PLEA FOR AMNESTY.

Mr. John Dillon, M.P., has given to the press, for publication, the following letter which he received from Alderman Manton, Chairman of the Birmingham Watch Committee, with reference to the case of the Irish political prisoners now in Portland prison:

HOLLY BANK, EDGBASTON, }
June 25, 1896. }

DEAR SIR—I see by this morning's paper that another effort is about being made to secure the release of the Irish political convicts in English prisons. I heartily wish you success. For nine years I have striven to the utmost of my power to obtain justice for John Daly and James Egan. Divine justice will remain dishonored until these two men receive compensation for the grievous wrong inflicted on them.

I enclose a copy of my final appeal. Yours faithfully,

HENRY MANTON.

The appeal is addressed to Sir Matthew White Ridley, Home Secretary, and urges the release of John Daly and James Egan for the sake of righteousness and justice. It concludes thus:

"I think of the many millions of Irish residing in Great Britain, America, Canada, and others of our colonies. Is it wise to keep open a festering wound, which the overwhelming majority of the Irish believe has been inflicted by a foul conspiracy—in which belief I fully share. May I go so far as to say that I believe the two men named were as innocent of the crime laid to their charge as was the Judge before whom they were tried."

M. J. O'Connor, anti-Parnellite member for West Wicklow, asked that Rt. Hon. A. J. Balfour, First Lord of the Treasury, advise Her Majesty the Queen to pardon Irish prisoners now undergoing imprisonment for treason upon the occasion of the sixtieth anniversary of her accession to the throne, which would occur June 20, 1897. Mr. Balfour replied that the time had not yet arrived for the consideration of what ought to be done upon the sixtieth anniversary of the beginning of the Queen's reign.

DESCRIPTION OF A WHISKEY BARREL.

Somebody has thus described the contents of a whiskey-barrel:

A barrel of headaches, of heartaches, of woes.

A barrel of curses, a barrel of blows.

A barrel of tears from a world-weary wife.

A barrel of sorrow, a barrel of strife.

A barrel of all unavailing regret.

A barrel of cares and a barrel of debt.

A barrel of crime and a barrel of pain.

A barrel of hopes ever blasted and vain.

A barrel of falsehood, a barrel of cries That fall from the maniac's lips as he dies.

A barrel of agony, heavy and dull.

A barrel of poison—of this nearly full.

A barrel of poverty, ruin and blight.

A barrel of terrors that grow with the night.

A barrel of hunger, a barrel of groans.

A barrel of orphans' most pitiful moans.

A barrel of serpents that hiss as they pass.

From the head on the liquor that glows in the glass.

Scotsman (to Pat): "Yours is a poor country." "Begorra," says Pat, "we can afford to wear breeches, anyhow."—Edward Allen, Newmarket.

A Record Breaker.



CORNWALL vs. SHAMROCK

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PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, DISTRICT OF MONTREAL, SUPERIOR COURT.

Dame Jessie Smith, of the Village of Saint Louis du Mile End, in the District of Montreal, has this day instituted an action, in separation as to property, against her husband, John Macdonald, of the same place.

Montreal, June 28, 1896.

ALLOTTE, BARNARD & MACDONALD, Attorneys for Plaintiff.