

IRISH INTELLIGENCE.

From March 1, 1851, till March 31, 1876, 2,383, 153 emigrants left Ireland.

The Clare Journal says that water is selling at three half-pence a tub in Ennis for domestic purposes, consequent on the continued drought.

It is stated that an agent of Don Carlos is in treaty for the purchase of Ashfield, Killiney, the late residence of the Duchess of Abercorn, for an Irish residence for Don Carlos.

On the 23 ult., Miss Kate C. Gearon, in religion, Sister M. M. Alacque, daughter of E. Gearon, Esq., Wexford, made her religious profession at the Drogheda Presentation Convent.

The crops in the neighborhood of Newry have received the greatest benefit from late rains. Farmers some time ago were despondent, but now they are in the best of spirits.

At the close of the Cork Young Men's Society retreat more than a thousand persons, six hundred being members of the Society, approached Holy Communion.

Miss Ann Driscoll, second daughter of Mr. Daniel Driscoll, Clogheen, Cork, took the holy habit of religion and the conventional name of Sister Ita, in the Presentation Convent, Fermoy on the 16 ult.

On the 23rd ult. Mr. Robert J. Goff, Auctioneer, Newbridge, sold for Mrs. Anne Moore, of Nicholas-town, her good will, which was that of a tenant from year to year, in 46 acres of land, held at the annual rent of £67 to Mr. Edward Winder, of Germaustown, for £1,120.

The ceremony of investing four postulants with the habit of the Capuchin Order took place on the 23rd ult., in the chapel of the convent and novitiate, Walken street, Kilkenny. The postulants were Messrs. W. Neary, W. Flanagan, W. McEvoy, and Denis Reardon, who will be known for the future in religion as Brother Asinus, Bonaventure, John and Leo.

Dr. Frederick McCabe, late resident physician of the Dundrum Central Lunatic Asylum, Dublin, and formerly medical officer of the Mullinavatt Dispensary, District, in the county Kilkenny, has been recently appointed Local Government Inspector of the Cork district, in the room of Dr. King, promoted to the Medical Commissionership of the same department.

On the 23 ult., the ceremony of the reception of three young postulants into the Order of Poor Clares, took place in St. Joseph's Convent, Cavan. The Most Rev. Dr. Conroy was the officiating prelate. The young ladies received were Miss Lynch, daughter of Mr. John Lynch, Arva; Miss Rehill, daughter of Mr. John Rehill, Ballyhaeny; and Miss Flood, daughter of Mr. Flood, Ballyjamesduff.

The estate of the Earl of Gosford, in the county Cavan, was put up for sale on the 23d ult., in the Landed Estates Court, in 91 lots. The entire estate contained 6,064 acres, and the clear yearly profit rent was £4,573. Considerably less than half of the entire was sold, in 49 lots, and produced upwards of £38,000. Of these lots, 33 were purchased by tenants in occupation, the aggregate purchase money of such lots being about £24,000.

On the 23 ult., at the Ursuline Convent, Thurles, three young ladies were received into religion and one made her vows. — Miss Orgau (in religion, Sister Margaret Mary) of Limerick; Miss Tracy (Sister Agnes) from Mountcashel; Miss Hogan (Sister de Sales) from Dublin. Miss Orgau was professed, the other two received, and all three were children of the school. The third reception was that of Miss Devitt (in religion Sister Anne), a lay sister, who is from the neighborhood of Borrissleigh. The Archbishop officiated.

CONSECRATION OF THE BISHOP OF FERNS.—On Sunday, 14th ult., in the Cathedral at Ennis, the Most Rev. Dr. Warren was solemnly consecrated by the Cardinal Archbishop, to the Bishopric of Ferns, in succession to the late Most Rev. Dr. Furlong. His lordship was born in the neighborhood of Ennis, and has been about twenty years on the mission, until 1866, a period of about eleven years, he was curate in Ennis, and he then was appointed superior of the Mission House there, which was founded by the late Bishop, and he filled that position until the present time.

A quantity of land has been taken in the immediate neighborhood of Ennis for the purpose of erecting a new Diocesan College for Killalea, the present college being insufficient in every way for the requirements of the diocese. It is said that the Most Rev. Dr. Ryan, has given a magnificent donation of £4,000 for the purpose; that the Bishop expects an equal sum from the clergy of the diocese, and an equal sum from the laity—in all £12,000, which, it is estimated, will complete the building.

At a large meeting of the guardians of the Limerick union last week a motion for a petition in favour of Mr. Butt's Land Bill was carried by a great majority. The chairman, Mr. Fitzgibbon, without entering into the merits of the bill, objected to the subject being entertained at all, on the ground that it was one of political character and foreign to the duties of the board. In this view he was supported by Lord Clarin, who further intimated that he considered the bill a measure of confiscation. Twenty-one guardians were for discussing the question and nine against.—Nation.

The Cork Examiner of the 26th ult., says:—"The unusually long period of dry weather, just at the season when rain is most wanted for vegetables, though it has been useful in allowing the completion of long-delayed sowing, has caused considerable anxiety as to the prospects for grass and meadows. However, within the last three days or so there are evidences of change. In Kerry there has been rather copious rain, and in some parts of the county of Cork. On Monday, Tuesday and yesterday light showers fell here, yesterday's being rather heavier. Much more rain is wanted, but the parched state of the ground has been improved."

The Clare Journal records a very noble act of landlord generosity. The district of Ballyvaughan being very badly off for pure water, the late Lord Annaly, on the recommendation of Mr. W. Lane Joynt, at a cost of £3,000, brought a plentiful supply of pure spring water to the town. The workhouse and neighbouring buildings were also supplied from the works, which were constructed by Mr. Andrews, C.E., Dublin. Colonel White, who has inherited the estate from his father, has now presented the water to the guardians in trust for the public of the district, an act of generosity not often exemplified even by such generous landlords as the Whites.

At the Presentation Sessions held at Naas on the 26th ult., the ordinary presentments for salaries and repairs passed without any comment. A sum of £500, applied for to supplement a sum of £1,200 granted to make alterations in Naas Jail, was unanimously disallowed, as the sessions did not consider it necessary to have any increased accommodation on the separate system in the jail, the number of separate cells being considerably in excess of the average number of prisoners, as set forth in the Inspector-General's report. The cesspayers also thought they should not be called on to provide accommodation for prisoners from military and other prisons, and that they believed their prison more than equal, on the separate system, to the requirements of the county.

His numerous friends in Nenagh (says the Limerick Reporter) will regret to hear that a once general favourite among them, has just paid the debt of

nature in the person of Dr. Daniel Tracy. He had been a resident of Limerick since 1858, when he was appointed resident apothecary to the fever hospital at John's Gate, a situation which he resigned some eight or ten years ago. He was highly intelligent (adds the Reporter), had read and remembered much, was witty, anecdotal, full of song and story, and some fifty years ago his ballad on "The Brunswickers of the Ormondes" was one of the most successful in the delineation of the men who were at that period engaged in the work of opposing Catholic Emancipation.

The annual report of the Director of Convict Prisons for Ireland for the year 1875 has been published. In this report Captain Barlow says that there were 1,138 prisoners undergoing penal servitude in the various convict prisons of Ireland in the year 1875. Within the last twenty years the decrease of the number of prisoners undergoing penal servitude shows in the most remarkable way the growing peacefulness and crimelessness of the island. In the year 1854 there were 3,933 persons undergoing penal servitude in Ireland, and the number has steadily decreased till it has now reached less than one-third of that number. Of the convicts last year 857 were males and 281 females.

SALES OF PROPERTY.—Recently Mr. John Pender, auctioneer, Barronstrand street, sold the following property, per order of the trustees of Samuel Harris, Esq.—Large store on New Quay, under a corporation lease for 75 years, from September, 1870, at £58 a year; bought by W. H. Parker, Esq., the Hermitage, Kilmacow, for £40. Store in Queen street, held under a lease of 1872, for 75 years, at £30 16s; bought by Mr. Harris for £75. Store with kiln in Thomas street, with a similar lease term, at £33 yearly, bought by Mr. L. Mahony, T. C., at £60, and the stable with other premises in Mary street, leased for 75 years, from September, 1870, at £8 a year; sold to Mr. Parker, Kilmacow, for £35. The business was most satisfactorily conducted by Mr. Pender.

We find the following announcement in the Cork Examiner of May 27:—"We are informed that Mr. Butt intends visiting the Empire State during the coming Autumn, to deliver lectures in several cities. He will be accompanied by his son, Robert Butt, Esq. and one of his amiable and accomplished daughters, and his friend, Mr. Donat O'Brien, T.C., Limerick, as Secretary. Several of Mr. O'Brien's family occupy high positions in America—his uncle Mr. Cornelius O'Brien, of Lisuridá House, in the county of Limerick, having settled there over half a century ago. It is said that Mr. Butt will be accompanied on his tour by many of the Home Rule Members, who are certain to receive an ovation from the expatriated sons of the Emerald Isle."

On Sunday, May 21st, in St. Mary's cathedral, Cork, a most eloquent and devotional sermon was preached by the Right Rev. Dr. Conroy, Bishop of Ardagh, in behalf of the Magdalen Asylum, under the care of the nuns of the Good Shepherd, Sunday's Well. The Mayor, High Sheriff, and other leading citizens were amongst the congregation. The Right Rev. preacher took for his text the words from St. John's Gospel: "Now there stood by the cross Mary the Mother of Jesus, and Mary Magdalen." The collection after the sermon amounted to £69, donations £24, and collections at the several churches £90. Total £173. Mr. Daniel O'Sullivan, responding to the appeal of the preacher, undertook the cost of supporting one penitent in the Asylum.

Several evictions have taken place on the lands of Lashell, the estate of Mrs. Henrietta Parker, Whiteley, England. The property is situated at Doura, over which Mr. Wm. Johnston, J. P., Bawnboy House, presides as agent. It appears from the facts that the eviction was principally aimed at Mr. Francis Hamilton, who occupied a farm consisting of about 28 acres, and also again another man of the same name, who held a house but no land. As a curious bit of antiquity in the management of the estate, in order to get possession of the Hamilton's holdings, upwards of 58 persons had to be evicted from the town-land, 54 of whom were re-admitted as tenants. The cause of eviction was alleged want of title, and it is only another proof of how completely the unfortunate tenantry of Ireland are at the mercy of their landlords.

IRISH REVENUE.—A return just published, moved for by Mr. Mitchell-Henry, shows the following net receipts of revenue in Great Britain and Ireland in the several fiscal years set forth: —

Table with 3 columns: Year, Great Britain, Ireland. Data for 1870-71, 1871-72, 1872-73, 1873-74, 1874-75.

It appears that in 1870-71, of an aggregate revenue of £70,358,742, Ireland contributed over 10 3/4 per cent., while in 1874-75, of an aggregate of £74,086,396 she contributed over 10 1/2 per cent. Within the five years, the British revenue has increased 6 1/2 and the Irish revenue 9 3/4 per cent., or nearly one-half more.

On Thursday week (says the Sligo Independent) a mill hand, named John Delaney, went to clean a corn spout that got choked in one of the rooms of Messrs. Middleton and Pollexfen's flour mills, Ballisodare, when his jacket got caught in one of the pins attached to a cog-wheel which was revolving round at a rapid rate. He was drawn with velocity round the room, his feet and legs being smashed against obstacles all around. When detached from his awful position he was senseless. Dr. Moore of Collooney, was promptly in attendance, and he telegraphed for Dr. McDowell, who went up from Sligo. Both medical gentlemen did all in their power to alleviate the unfortunate man's sufferings, and succeeded so far as to enable his removal to the county infirmary, where he at present lies in a very critical state. He is a fine young man and is married, having two children.

A beautiful solid silver service is about to be presented by the clergy of the united dioceses of Waterford and Lismore, and the students of St. John's College, formerly his pupils, to the Very Rev. J. V. Cleary, on his promotion from the presidency of the diocesan college to the pastorate of Dungarvan. The service consists of a costly silver salver, and two beautifully-wrought chalice jugs of the same material. The salver bears Dr. Cleary's crest, with the following inscription:—"Presented to the Very Rev. J. V. Cleary, D.D., P.P., on the occasion of his appointment to the pastorate of Dungarvan, by the clergy of the united dioceses of Waterford and Lismore, and others who had the happiness of standing under him during his professional career at St. John's College, Waterford, May, 1876." One of the chalice jugs bears the crest and a similar inscription from the clergy who studied under the Very Rev. Doctor at St. John's, and the whole is executed in the very highest style of art.

ship administered confirmation to a large number of children and adults. At least four thousand persons participated in the fruits of the mission, and had now come to take part in the final scene of the retreat.

THE EPISCOPAL SUCCESSION.—A work on the important subject of the episcopal succession in England, Scotland, and Ireland, is in course of issue by Dr. W. Maziere Brady, who rendered such important service in the Church Disestablishment controversy by his "Clerical and Parochial Records of Cork, Cloyne, and Ross." It is to consist of three volumes, two of which are already printed. It is founded "upon materials of indisputable authority, which until now have remained in great part unexplored. Of the materials, the original consistorial acts in the Vatican, and the records of the Congregation de Propaganda Fidei. These are supplemented by documents existing in various other archives." In face of the efforts made to prove the apostolic succession in the various Protestant churches of these kingdoms, the importance of such a work as this need scarcely be enlarged upon. —Cork Examiner.

Died at the Frolice, Clonant's Hill, near Ballyspilgan Spa, on the 20th ult., (says a correspondent of the Freeman), M. Broderick, aged 110 years. He was popularly called the "patriarch" and "father" of the county Kilkenny, and well known to and esteemed by the gentlemen of the hunting and coursing clubs. At the last coursing match on the Hill, on the 19th of March last, Michael was out on the Hill to enjoy the sport. His boast was that he was never ill, nor took any medicine; that he never buttoned his vest, or put a pin in the collar of his shirt. He retained his senses to the last moment, and, without pain, died, fortified by the rites of the Church. Poor Michael was an ardent lover of his country, and skilled in "legendary lore." Many a time and oft, in the noontide sun, he beguiled a tedious hour, detailing the occurrences of the penal times, when his humble home on the "misty mountain top" gave shelter to the Catholic priests from their pursuers, in which they were obliged to offer the holy sacrifice of the Mass during midnight.

The magistrates of Coolock district held a special session on Saturday, in consequence of a recent decision of the Court of Queen's Bench granting a conditional order for writs of mandamus commanding the justices to hear application on the part of certain parties requiring certificates entitling them to renewals of licenses. Sir Ralph Cusack presided, the other magistrates present being Messrs. Roper and Plunkett. Mr. William Robinson applied, on behalf of Patrick Radcliffe, of Baldoyle, and John Banfield, of Dollymount, for certificates authorizing the excise to grant them licenses, pursuant to the Beerhouse (Ireland) Act, 1864, and mentioned that the judges of the Court of Queen's Bench had given it as their opinion that in such an application the justices could only make inquiry as to the character of the applicants without regard to the nature or condition of their premises. The latter branch of inquiry was only open in the case of a new grant, or the transfer of an existing license. After some discussion, the application was granted. —Nation.

Saturday last (says the Wexford People), the fiftieth anniversary of the ordination of Very Rev. Canon Roche, P.P., V.F., Wexford, was appropriately celebrated in St. Peter's College and in the Convent Schools, all rejoicing at having an opportunity of celebrating the jubilee of their beloved pastors' admission to membership of the sacred ministry. Addresses breathing a spirit of filial respect and love were presented to the very reverend gentleman from the professors and alumni of St. Peter's, and from the children attending the Convent Schools, who also sang songs of joy specially composed for the occasion. Father Roche, who was deeply affected by these expressions of affection, replied to them extemporaneously in such a manner as to show that he fully reciprocated the kind feelings which prompted them. Incidentally he mentioned that he had the great happiness of having celebrated over nineteen thousand Masses since his ordination, a statement which evoked from all who heard it the heartiest hope that he might long enjoy the great blessings of mental and physical health and strength which have up to the present moment been granted him.

GREAT CATHOLIC MEETING IN ARMAIGH.—On the 16th of May a meeting of the Catholics of Armaigh was held in the Catholic Reading Room for the purpose of establishing for the city and county of Armaigh a Catholic Registration Society. The meeting was large and representative. On the motion of Mr. Hughes, seconded by Rev. C. Quinn, P.P., the chair was taken by the Rev. T. Loy, P.P., amid applause. In the course of the speeches, the Rev. J. McGrath, P.P., said:—"We have all the same feelings; the same political views and sympathies; and, therefore, I think it is very desirable that we should have a general provincial committee to look after the registration through the province. I think there is no foundation for the objection referred to by Father Byrne that this association will split up the tenant-right societies. Who have taken the most interest in the tenant-right question? Was it the poor down-trodden and oppressed Catholics? I remember when Sharmar Crawford, the father of the present member for the county Down, contested that county and I know very many of the Catholics who sacrificed much to return him, and they suffered afterwards for it. They made far greater sacrifices than the Presbyterians did, and I recollect at Newry that the Presbyterian party when they saw the Catholics come forward and all promise for Sharmar Crawford, slunk away, and the election was lost. I am quite sure that even now they would be quite prepared to make as great sacrifices, but it will not be necessary. What we want is fidelity of tenure at fair rent—(applause)—which I believe would be a settlement of the tenant-right question. Of course it is false to say that because Catholics and Protestants have a great interest in the final settlement of this tenant right question, this association will disunite them who should be united on tenant-right. This association will not carry out its work after a political fashion; it only furnishes us with the means of ascertaining and combining our strength, but it leaves us all free to adopt whatever lines of politics we select" (applause).

GREAT BRITAIN.

THE THAMES STREET FIRE.—LONDON, June 15, Midnight.—The fire at Brook's wharf has been subdued. Losses are variously estimated at from £40,000 to £300,000. Owing to the excitement prevailing, no definite idea of the extent of damage can be ascertained at this hour.

THE FRANCONIA CASE.—LONDON, June 15.—Fourteen judges are sitting in the case of Ferdinand Keyne, late Captain of the Franconia. The Bench includes the Chiefs of the three Common Law Divisions, Chief Justice Cockburn presiding. Mr. Benjamin opened for the accused. The Court is crowded with members of the bar and the public.

Some marvels of human ingenuity may be seen at the London Scientific Exhibition. Thus, a machine, loaned by Sir W. Armstrong, the great gun-maker, measures thickness up to the one-thousandth part of an inch, and another, on the same principle, to the one-millionth part. The delicate balance of Mr. Oertlin carries 3,000 grains, and turns distinctly at the one-thousandth part of a single grain. Among the historic instruments is the chronometer, invented by the Royal United Service Institution, which was twice carried out by Captain Cooke, and

again by Captain Bligh in 1787. When the crew of the "Bounty" mutinied this veteran timekeeper was carried to Pitcairn's Island by the mutineers, and sold by Adams, in 1807, to an American Captain who touched there. He sold it in China, and in 1840 it was bought at Valparaiso by Sir Thomas Herbert, taken to China by him, and finally brought back to England.

The death is announced of General Sir George Bowles, G.C.B., Lieutenant of the Tower of London and Colonel of the First West India Regiment, who was born in 1787, and entered the army in 1804. He was present at the capture of Copenhagen in 1807. He served in the Peninsula, at the passage of the Duro, the battles of Talavera, Salamanca, and Vittoria, the sieges of Ciudad Rodrigo, Badajoz, Burgos and San Sebastian, capture of Madrid, the passages of the Bidassoa, Nive and Adour, and the battle of Bayonne. He was present at the battle of Quatre Bras and Waterloo, and the capture of Paris, and received the Waterloo medal. He served in Canada from 1837 to 1843, and was in command of the Lower Province in 1838 during the rebellion of that year. In 1851 he was appointed Lieutenant of the Tower of London and C.B.E. He was one of the oldest members of the United Service Club.

NEW PRESBYTERY FOR ST. PATRICK'S EDINBURGH.—A need which has been much felt ever since the Church of St. Patrick, in Edinburgh, was purchased as a place of Catholic worship has just been supplied. We allude to the want of a suitable dwelling for the clergy attached to the church. They have hitherto been obliged to live in an old house, situated in a dark and narrow lane, where they had to suffer from the want of light and ventilation, and of suitable accommodation. To remedy this state of things, Father Hannan, the energetic priest in charge of the mission, procured plans for a new house, and on Thursday of last week the clergy entered into their new abode. It is externally in excellent taste, without being overloaded with ornament. The ground in front has been tastefully laid out in terraces, with shrubs and grass, and is enclosed with a low parapet wall and iron railing. Throughout the whole design, it is evident that the health of those destined to occupy the house was more studied than parsimony, and that, although economy was carefully attended to it was combined with due attention to convenience. —Catholic Times.

RECEPTION OF A SISTER OF MERCY AT EDINBURGH.—On Thursday of last week the interesting ceremony of the reception or "clothing" of a novice took place in the Convent of Mercy, in Edinburgh. The Right Rev. Bishop Strain officiated, and had, as chaplains, Fathers Lawson, S.J., Church of the Sacred Heart, and Brady and O'Neil, St. Patrick's; and Rev. E. Whyte, S. J. master of ceremonies. The ceremony began by a procession, consisting of the young lady boarders, about thirty-eight in number, the juniors being dressed in white, with veils and wreaths upon their heads, whilst the seniors wore long white veils over their uniform. These were followed by the sisters, walking two and two, with lighted tapers in their hands, the postulant walking between the reverend Mother and the Mother Assistant. The procession was closed by her Lordship the Bishop, wearing cope and mitre, and crozier in hand. When the usual hymn had been sung, his Lordship addressed the novice-elect in a short discourse replete with fatherly advice. He pointed out to her that the surest way of succeeding in her holy vocation was earnestness of purpose, a constant looking forwards—never looking back to what she had already achieved, but always keeping her eye steadfastly fixed on the goal and pressing onwards towards it. His Lordship concluded by exhorting her not to be cast down by the difficulties she might have to encounter, but to put her confidence in her Divine Master, and with earnest prayer beg his aid, with a firm hope of getting the strength she might need. The ceremony was brought to a close by Benediction of the Most Holy Sacrament, given by his lordship the bishop. —Catholic Times May 26.

SCOTCH HORSES.—An English writer in a recent article on Scotch and English farming, says of the Clydesdale horses:—"Although Scotch farmers generally have something to learn from their English brethren in the management of cattle and sheep and require to improve considerably in the selection and style of their harness horses, they stand almost unrivalled in the breeding of cart horses. There is no better farmer's horse than the Clydesdale. He has power in the right place; he can move off smartly with two tons behind him; he walks four miles an hour; trots, if need be, seven or eight; is active and hardy; his feet are sound and good and Messrs. Pickford and others, who use many horses in large towns assure me that no horses stand the work of the stones like the Clydesdales, and none bear up so well against the rough usage and buffets to which these big, willing van horses are so often subjected. The heaviest and most valuable Clydesdales are bred within about 25 miles of Glasgow; their style and usefulness have of late years improved by finer and less hair about the legs. It is the hay of the Clydesdales that enable the Scotch farmer to undertake his work with so few horses. With nearly double the area of arable land, the agricultural returns shows that in Scotland there are 39, in England 42 horses per 100 acres. Three horses are considered amply sufficient to work 100 acres of medium land under a four or five course rotation. The horses are invariably worked in pairs, plow as are a day, are used in single and double carts. Wagons are unknown in Scotland."

UNITED STATES.

There are in Pennsylvania 235 beer breweries; in Wisconsin, 232; in Ohio, 210; in New York, 203; in California, 202; in Illinois, 165; and Michigan, 149.

Sister Agnes McDonald, Sister Superior in charge of the Maryland University hospital, died Sunday morning, May 14. She was a native of Philadelphia when she entered the Community. R.I.P.

On Saturday morning, June 10, at half-past six o'clock, Rev. Joseph Toohy, of St. Aloysius Seminary, was raised to the sublime dignity of the priesthood by the Rt. Rev. Bishop Rosecrance, in St. Joseph's Cathedral, Columbus, O.

A successful Mission was concluded at St. Mary's Church, Jersey City, on Sunday, June 11th, by Rev. Fathers Damen and Coughlin, and five other Jesuit Fathers. Over 7,000 persons received Holy Communion, and several converts were received into the Church during the Mission.

Mrs. Moran, a very pious and exemplary lady who has given three children to the church, the Rev. T. K. Moran, of Princeton, N. J., and two daughters, Sisters of Mercy, in Baltimore, Md., died on Monday, May 29, at the residence of her son in Princeton, N. J. The funeral took place on Thursday, June 1, from St. Paul's Church. May she rest in peace.

A boy, twelve years of age, has been lying in jail in Salt Lake City for a year. Having recently been brought into court, it was found that he had stolen two dollars to save himself from starvation. On account of his having been heavily chained, the court sentenced him to six months' confinement in the hospital, that he might secure needed medical treatment.

The Brooklyn Argus says: "A simple peasant from the wilds of New England was alighting from the cars at the Washington depot in company with a friend; when the latter pointed out the first distinguished-looking person he saw, and exclaimed: "

"Look, George! there goes one of the greatest statesmen in the country." "Dew tell!" ejaculated the simple peasant. "How much has he stolen?"

While the Protestant Anniversaries are being held in New York and other cities, the Catholic Bishops are laying corner stones of new churches, dedicating churches already completed, confirming multitudes as in the days of the apostles, and receiving many stray ones back into the fold. We have flourishing missions in every part of the globe although we have little funds to apportion to them, or little salaries for the priests who volunteer to serve them.—Providence Visitor.

New York has been a Democratic State since the close of the war period, except in 1871, when the State was lost in consequence of the frauds in New York city, and in 1872, when the election went by default. On a square contest for the vindication and supremacy of Democratic principles, New York is reliable and true. As the Republicans admit that their cause is hopeless without New York, they practically concede the election of a Democratic President.

THE STEWART WILL CASE.—NEW YORK, June 15.—In the Stewart will case, ex-Judge Hillton and Mr. Libbey were to-day examined, and corroborated the assertions of Mrs. Stewart, and gave testimony in regard to Mr. Stewart's mental capacity. They were of an opinion that he was not a man to be influenced, and sure he was not influenced in any way. Counsel for the contestants quoted numerous authorities to show that the Surrogate had power to vacate the probate.

CANADA.

Port Hope water-works are to be extended. The assessment as Hastings county as qualified amounts to \$11,937,000.

The town by-law prohibiting cattle running at large is being rigidly enforced in Belleville. The crops in the townships of Markham, Scarborough, Whitechurch, and Pickering are all looking very fine.

The street railway seems to satisfy the popular idea in Belleville, at least for the present, while the novelty lasts.

The Patrolia Crude Oil and Tanking Company have purchased the refinery owned by Messrs. Williams & Cochrane.

Early on Wednesday morning the St. Catharines Police raided upon and broke up three houses of ill-fame in that city.

A child of Mr. William Durill, of Litchfield, Pontiac Co., fell into a tub of boiling water, and died soon after being extricated.

In Ottawa \$16,500 has been appropriated for street improvements during the current year, including the expenditure made to the present time.

Sherbrooke is endeavoring to induce Mr. James Smart, of the Novelty Works, Brockville, to remove there by offering him a bonus of \$20,000.

Mr. Melten, who for some time acted as agent for a Glasgow dynamite firm, has started a factory for the manufacture of that explosive in Bowmanville.

A farmer named William Avery, living at Plessis, near Alexandria Bay, hung himself on Monday, 5th inst., to a hay rack, a halter being the instrument of death.

The county books and effects in the office of the Registrar of Deeds at Sydney, Cape Breton, were recently seized for rent due by the late registrar, and offered for sale by auction.

On the 24 May the barn on Lot 25, Con. 1, of Euphrasia, belonging to W. C. Hewitt, and rented by Geo. Wilson, caught fire from a stump, and the barn with some grain, was totally destroyed.

The receipts of Port Hope harbour for May are reported at \$2,454.15. This includes balance to the credit of the Commissioners, and the whole amount was expended within the month in salaries, repairs, &c.

The exports at the port of St. John for the first five months of 1876 total up to \$1,066,176, which for the same period of 1875 they were but \$738,262. This is encouraging; and the more so that there has been a falling off in the imports.

A Cohong man was lately fined \$20 and costs for selling liquor without a license, and a day or two after, having obtained a license, he was fined \$20 and sent to the lock-up for one hour, for selling liquor to an Indian.

Only two of the applicants for licenses in Sault Ste. Marie granted by the Commissioners have complied with the law by the payment of the required fees on or before the 31st May, thus virtually by their own act reducing the number.

His Grace the Archbishop of Halifax administered the Sacrament of Confirmation yesterday morning in St. Patrick's Church to 200 children. The imposing ceremony was witnessed by a large congregation, while the children presented a fine appearance in their neat attire. Previous to the administration of the Sacrament, His Grace addressed the children in a lengthy and beautiful discourse, showing the divine institution of this Sacrament, its importance, and the effect it produces on the soul.—Recorder, June 12th.

A BRAVE LADY.—BELLEVILLE, June 15.—Last evening a young child of Mrs. James Ross, while playing near the iron bridge, fell in the river, where the current is so rapid that it is difficult for a boat even to stem it. The child was being rapidly borne down the river by the fast flowing current, and though several men saw the unfortunate child in the water, not one made an effort to save him. The accident was, however, observed by one who showed courage and daring seldom witnessed. Miss Mary Sheehan, who resides in the vicinity, witnessed the occurrence, and showed in the emergency a boldness and presence of mind that are indeed highly commendable. The young lady is an excellent swimmer, and as soon as she saw the child being carried away, she boldly plunged into the water and swam toward the body, which was then floating head downward, and seizing hold of the child, brought him to shore.

KINGSTON, June 12.—A fire broke out in the rear of Horsey's hardware store, and destroyed the following buildings:—Radden's grocery, Hart's dry goods, T. & F. Rigney's grocery, Horsey's hardware, Foot's bakery, Martin's wholesale grocery, Bowdens machinery store, the American Hotel, Gordon's grocery, Kirkpatrick's fancy goods, Munion's grocery, Bailey's barber shop, Gordon's drug store, Rees Brothers' confectionery, Chown & Walker's hardware, A. Martin's grocery, Cookson's grocery, Brown's drug store, Shanton & Co's branch crockery, Ford's private house, Heath & Gunn's wholesale drugs, and Morrison's flour and feed—everything lost.—Miss Douglass's boarding school, Rutland's Co's boot and shoe, Martin & Strachan's hardware, the Albion Hotel, Milton's hardware shop, Strange's grocery, W. Davids, merchandise broker, Hoffner, butcher, Norris, harness, Westlake, tailor, Abrams' Hotel, Spornerville's grocery, Dolan's harness, Wilmore's blacksmith shop and Skinner's drug store. The total loss about \$200,000. The following is a list of the insurance losses:—North British and Mercantile, \$26,900; London Assurance \$22,500; Royal (Kingston Agency) £12,500; Royal (Toronto Agency) \$8,000; Liverpool, London and Globe, \$7,000; Royal Canadian, \$12,000; Etna, of Hartford, \$12,000; National of Montreal \$4,000; Standard, \$5,000; Western, \$2,700; Scottish Imperial, \$1,500; Niagara, \$1,800; Guardian \$1,500; Beaver \$600, and Queen \$600.