

"You forget that your struggle with him was witnessed by the preventive-man." "It never was, my lord, for no struggle with me took place. What Mitchell's motive for accusing me can be, I cannot tell; either his eyesight deceived him, or he is screening the real offender at my cost. But I don't fear, the truth is sure to come to light."

"Thrown over by Ravensbird," said hot-tongued Lawyer Apperly. "Yes," responded Mitchell. "Were there no signs of life whatever in my son?" asked Lord Dane, struggling with his inward feelings. "None, my lord: he was as dead as ever I saw anybody. I wish I could have carried him away with me in my arms, my lord, instead of leaving him to be washed away with the tide; but it was beyond my strength. I wish I had not felt into that fit; there'd have been time to get to him."

It however, by no means "settled" it. For not one believed him. They could not have been more fully persuaded that he was the culprit had they actually seen him with their own eyes peep over Captain Dane. "I gather," said Lord Dane, "that you were according to your own account—absent from the inn somewhere about an hour and a half. Where did you pass that interval?"

IRISH NEWS. Mr. Arthur Moore has introduced a bill proposing to constitute the borough of Cashel and the towns of Tipperary, Nenagh, and Thurles into a parliamentary borough to return one member to the House of Commons. The object of the proposed constituency is the "Tipperary Boroughs."

SCOTCH NEWS. The Rev. M. Sheehan has now come to reside with the Bishop of Argyll and the Isles, in Oban, and to attend to the usual, but increasing, congregation. F. Sheehan, who is nephew to Canon Sheehan, of Manchester, having completed his studies this summer at Waterloo college, offered his services to the West Highland diocese, and was ordained priest by Archbishop Strain, in Edinburgh, on Sunday, the 27th July. In consequence of this arrangement Mass will now be said regularly in the temporary church at Oban; on Sundays, at 11.30 a.m.; and on week days at 8 a.m. On the 7th inst. the bishop left Oban for S. Uist, where he will be detained for three Sundays, the 10th to 24th current. Confirmation will have to be administered in five parts of the island. Shortly after Easter his lordship confirmed, in the island of Barra, 201 candidates, of whom some had to come a distance of nearly twenty miles.

St. Aloysius College, Gamhill.—The closing academic exhibition for the year 1879, by the scholars of St. Aloysius college, Gamhill, took place on Wednesday evening, the 30th of July, in the Queen's rooms, West-end park. A much larger gathering both of the clergy, the parents and friends of the boys and others than last year showed the increasing interest taken in exhibitions of this sort in Glasgow. The programme was a varied and interesting one and carried out with great spirit by the boys. At the close the Rev. W. J. Amherst, rector of the college, made a powerful appeal to the Catholic parents present, and to all who value the training of youth, to do their utmost to second the efforts of those who were training their sons and trying to prepare them for and make them ready to meet the exigencies of the times. He spoke of the increase of the college, both in members and in teaching staff, and showed that the work of advance was substantially proved by the success obtained in the past year at different public examinations. For the first time the college had sent a boy to the London matriculation examination, and he had passed in the first class; for the first time they had sent boys to be examined at the Glasgow university. The rector's speech was listened to with marked attention.

CHAPTER V. Lord Dane grew impatient in his chair of state. The warrant, committing Richard Ravensbird for the wilful murder of his son, was already made out; it wanted only the signature, and that waited but for the formalities of Mitchell's evidence. Mr. Apperly leaned himself with his papers, the prisoner looked against the wall, the inspector was in a brown study, his arms folded, while the servants collected outside in groups, to express their horror and aversion of their late comrade Ravensbird.

"Here's Mitchell," here's Mitchell," bristled cry out Mr. Apperly, seeing the approach of the man. "Now, then, we shall soon have it over."

"The preventive-man came in, under the wing of Supervisor Cotnam. He looked pale and ill still, and Lord Dane ordered him a chair, while he gave his evidence. He testified to hearing the disparting sounds, to seeing distinctly the struggle, and to the fall of Captain Dane."

(To be continued.)

MR. FINNEGAN AND MR. JENKINS. Mr. Jenkins, the member for Dundee, has got into hot water with Mr. Finnegan over a speech he made recently, severely abusing the Irish members for their obstruction of business. Mr. Finnegan, who has already achieved three counts out in one week, a feat only paralleled after two years' efforts by Mr. Mr. Biggar, has written to Mr. Jenkins to-day, taking exception generally to the tone of his criticisms, and informing him that his personal comments on the member for Ennis are purely personal, and on the part of the members discreetly private.

Dr. Schlemann, the explorer, speaks Russian, English, French, Spanish, Italian, Portuguese, Dutch, Polish, Swedish, Arabic and ancient as well as modern Greek.