

VALUES OF LAND NEAR BELFAST.—A court of inquiry was held in the County Court-house, Belfast, on Friday last, the 28th inst., by order of the Commissioners of Public Works, to ascertain the value of about three acres and a half situate near the land joining the County of Antrim Lunatic Asylum, within half a mile of Belfast, which is proposed to be added to the asylum grounds.

In the course of last month Lord Derby gave the only possible reply to a Memorial of 'The Imperial Grand Council of the Loyal Orange Order,' praying for a repeal of the Party Processions Act. The memorialists appealed to the ready loyalty which had always distinguished their Association, to the repeal of a similar enactment in Canada, and finally to the one-sided operation given to the Act, which, it would seem has been applied to Orangemen, and not to the other party.

From a letter recently written in Rome, by the Rev. T. English, P.P., Glenties, to the Tipperary Free Press we make the following extract:—A good number of French and Belgian young Catholics have come and are still coming to join the Zouaves. They are supported by their respective parishes; five hundred francs per annum suffice for the support of each. It would be a grand triumph if all the parishes, or even a certain number of them through the Catholic world, would have their armed representative in Rome to defend Catholicity in its contumacious act by the Catholic people themselves.

THE DUBLIN CORPORATION AND THE IRISH CHURCH.—At a meeting of the Dublin Corporation, on Monday, the following resolution was passed:—That it is absolutely essential to the peace, harmony, contentment, and prosperity of this country that every vestige of class and creed ascendancy should be abolished, and that all parties should be placed on a basis of perfect equality of civil and religious rights within the Constitution.

On Friday the Lord Lieutenant telegraphed from Malvern to the Commissioners of Police directing them to forward immediately a sum of £10 to the father and other near relatives of the deceased constable.

GREAT BRITAIN.

A requiem Mass for the slain soldiers of the Pope was celebrated in the pro Cathedral, Moorfields, on Tuesday. The tribunes of the church were occupied by the Ambassadors at present in London, whilst the nave and aisles were thronged to repletion.

IRISHMEN DENOUNCING FENIANISM.—The iron and coal industries of Derbyshire afford employment for a vast amount of unskilled labour, and a great number of Irishmen are employed in the collieries in the neighbourhood of Chesterfield. Since the Manchester Fenian outrage much uneasiness has been felt by the authorities lest the peace and order of the town should be disturbed.

supply the galleys with work and fill the hulks with prisoners, and had been present at the county Assizes at Maryborough in the Queen's County, when Judge Esbse sentenced 60 men to death and transported for that offence—nine of them to the capital penalty. The men, who thus suffered were, as usual, good men, who had been led away by idle schemers.

ALLEGED FENIANISM IN READING.—Much excitement was created in the town of Reading yesterday by the examination of two alleged Fenians, named James Queen, an Irish hawker, and Peter Griffin, his stepson. The former was charged with trying to administer the Fenian oath and the latter with attempting a rescue.

JAMES STEPHENS VIS-A-VIS WITH AN ENGLISH DETECTIVE.—There is no doubt that Head Constable Stephens is in Paris, and in anything but a flourishing condition. The officer from Scotland who holds the warrant for his apprehension, during a three weeks' stay at the Exhibition, frequently met Stephens at a table d'hôte and conversed with him, each man knowing to whom he was talking.

A FENIAN HOAX.—A little after midnight on Tuesday a telegram was received by Mr. Superintendent Owen, of Holyhead, from the police authorities at Manchester, giving information that a body of armed men had gone to Holyhead that afternoon with the object of attempting to release a Fenian prisoner named Nugent, who was in the custody of three detectives from Ireland, and requesting the superintendent of police at Holyhead to use every precaution.

ram Wirers, which lies at present in the Victoria Harbor of Refuge. A detachment from the Wirers, the coastguard, under their chief officer, Mr. Rowe, and the police, under Superintendent Owen, took possession of the railway platform and a small body proceeded to the ticket platform.

PARDON OF MAGUIRE.—LETTER FROM THE HOME OFFICE.—Mr. Thompson, 38, Butler street, Manchester, has received the following reply from the Home Office this morning by which it will be seen that the efforts made for the free pardon of Maguire will be carried into effect:—

ADOLPHUS F. O. LIDDELL. Mr. I. Thompson, Butler street, Manchester. Immediately on his release, Maguire visited the whole of the newspaper offices in Manchester to personally thank the member of the press who had signed the memorial on his behalf to the Home Secretary.

RE APPREHENSION OF NUGENT.—John Francis Nugent, one of the prisoners acquitted on the charge of murder, and against whom a no le prossequi had been entered for a misdemeanor, was leaving the court, when he was re-apprehended by Head constable Thomas Welby, of the Irish constabulary, on a Lord Lieutenant's warrant.

THE ABYSSINIAN EXPEDITION.—On Tuesday evening, at a meeting of the Ethnological Society, held at their house in St. Martin's place, an interesting paper by Mr. John Crawford, F.R.S., their President, was read on the 'Ethnology of Abyssinia and adjacent countries. There were present, among others, Sir Henry Rawlinson, Sir Alexander Waugh, Capt. Sherard Osborn, Mr. Dickinson, Mr. Franks, Dr. Hyde Clark, Lady Franklin, Mr. J. G. Major, Dr. King, Dr. Dunn, Mr. Wyld, N. P., Dr. Lockhart, Mr. R. J. Slack, and Dr. Beke.

THE WESTMINSTER GAZETTE SAYS.—On the arrival of news of serious fighting in the Ruman States several gentlemen started from England to join the Papal army. Among them we may mention the names of Mr. Keble P. Digby and Mr. Bernard G. Mollay. The Weekly Register adds to the list as follows:—Among those who left for Rome last week to join the Papal army was the eldest son of the Hon. Mr. Kavanagh, Mr. William Kavanagh, who is the heir to the title and estates of the Viscount of Hazelwood, Yorkshire.

SCENES RESULT OF MURPHY'S BLACKBURN DEMONSTRATION.—At the Blackburn Police Court, an Irishman, named McDonald was charged with attempting to shoot two men, Taylor and Loewer, on Saturday night. The case for the prosecution was that the man named, and six others, were standing at the corner of Byron Street shortly after twelve o'clock on Saturday night, when the prisoner and three other men came up to them.

THE REPORTED RESIGNATION OF LONDON POLICE.—It is reported that thirty members of the O Division of Police have sent in their resignation, and that the City Police force have intimated their inability to continue their services unless they are provided with

most important Prince was the party called by Europeans an Emperor, but known to Abyssinians as the Athis or Negus, whose capital was Gondar in Amhara, or the south western division of the kingdom. Soon after the traveller's departure the so-called Emperor was superseded by a Chief of Tegree, on the north eastern division of the kingdom, who became a kind of Mayor of the Palace, or *Mabratis* Peshwa, and ever since the Emperor has been a phantom the country having been ruled with one less extent of authority by a succession of chieftains superseding one another.

LONDON, 26th Nov.—In the House of Commons this evening, the Right Hon. Mr. Disraeli, Chancellor of the Exchequer, moved a vote of supply of two millions pounds sterling for the expenses of the Abyssinian war. He supported his motion with a speech, in which he recalled the various pacific efforts made in vain by England to obtain the release of the British captives, and justified the final action of the Government in sending a military expedition to Abyssinia.

GLASGOW VOLUNTEERS FOR THE POPE.—On Sunday evening last, according to announcement after the Masses during the day, a meeting was held in the school room of St. Patrick's Anderson, having for its object the raising of funds to assist the Pope, and the enrolling of names of parties to join the Papal army. At a similar meeting held the Sunday evening previous a list of 35 names was made out of persons willing and even anxious to assist the Holy Father in his present perilous position.

THE RICHMOND CORRESPONDENT OF THE NEW YORK TIMES says there are fears prevalent of a general negro rising in the rural districts:—In conversing with gentlemen from all sections of the State I find that there exist in the rural districts far from the towns the most gloomy forebodings of coming disaster, in the shape of trouble with the negroes. In some places remote from military posts, the negroes are as ten to one to the whites, are armed and drilled, and work in secret; and conscious of their strength are insolent and over-bearing, apparently craving a pretext for a quarrel.

HEATHENISM IN NEW ENGLAND.—The Hartford Courant says that the Congregational ministers of Connecticut thoroughly canvassed their parishes to ascertain the actual religious condition of the State. The result was unexpected. In one hundred towns at least one-third of the families are not in the habit of going to church.

THE IMPROVEMENT OF PRESIDENT JOHNSON.—On Monday the Committee of the United States Senate presented a report recommending the impeachment of President Johnson. The Committee was nearly equally divided, five having reported the resolution, that Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, has impeached of high crimes and misdemeanors.

A company of French nuns, twenty-four in number, and eighteen missionaries arrived in New York by the French steamer on Wednesday in charge of the Bishop of Galveston. The time for the trial of Davis is finally fixed for the fourth Wednesday in March.

arms. It cannot be denied that the recent frequency of murderous assaults on the police—assaults which justify the apprehensions thus expressed; and among the first duties of a Government is that of protecting its officials in the lawful discharge of their duty. If the attempts at assassination should be carried on much longer, it may, we fear, become necessary to provide constables stationed on solitary beats with firearms.

UNITED STATES.

In the United States House of Representatives on Thursday last: Mr. Robinson (Democrat, New York) submitted as a question of privilege a resolution, reciting that Chas. F. Adams, United States Minister to Great Britain, has been charged with neglect of duty towards American citizens in England and Ireland in failing to secure their rights as such citizens, and instructing the Committee on Foreign Affairs to inquire into such charges, and to report thereon forthwith, to the end that, if such charges be true, articles of impeachment may be presented against him by the House to the Senate.

BEWARE OF AN IMPOSTOR. We have been requested by a correspondent, whose veracity cannot be doubted to publish the following: We feel it our duty to warn our readers against a clerical impostor, who, for some time past has been going through the States, raising money under false pretences, and who, we are advised, is about to visit this city.

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