

HISTORICAL NOTES OF INTEREST.

The question of the precedence of the Lord Mayor of Dublin at Mr. Gladstone's funeral, which was raised at the last meeting of the Corporation, it is said by the United Ireland, recalls a fierce controversy which raged between the cities of Dublin and Edinburgh thirty five years ago.

At last the Queen was forced to intervene, and by her command the question was referred to a committee of the Lords in Council, which sat in February, 1864. The Council having gravely heard the cause disputed by the ablest Irish and Scottish lawyers, solemnly decreed that in future Dublin and Edinburgh were to be considered ex aequo to be bracketed together for the second place, and that the representatives of each city were, as a matter of fact, to go before each other alternately.

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MUCKROSS ABBEY, KILLARNEY.

The visitor to the far-famed Lakes of Killarney can only pay a visit to this venerable shrine, the hoary and stately ruins of which recall one of the most important religious establishments that flourished in Ireland previous to the penal days.

Muckross Abbey was built by the Franciscans in 1440 and renovated in 1602. The ruin, which comprises part of the monastery and church, is remarkable for the beauty of its workmanship.

lately dead things, but do contain a potency of life in them, to be as active as that soul whose progeny they are; nay, they do preserve, as in a vessel, the purest efficacy and extraction of that living intellect that bred them.

YEARS OF SUFFERING.

Brought About by a Fall in Which the Back was Severely Injured - The Pain at Times Almost Unbearable.

Mr. Geo. F. Everett, a highly respected and well known farmer of Four Falls, Victoria Co., N.B., makes the following statement: - Some years ago while working in a barn I lost my balance and fell upon a beam, badly injuring my back.

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THE UNION AND TIMES OF BUFFALO REMARKS.

In establishing trade schools for women whereby they can earn a living in following some useful occupation, Boston is doing a commendable service to womankind and proving herself a genuine benefactor to the vast army of unemployed females.

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Society Meetings. Young Men's Societies. Young Irishmen's L. & B. Association. Regular monthly meeting held in its hall, 18 Dupre street, first Wednesday of every month at 8 o'clock, P.M.

St. Ann's Young Men's Society. Organized 1855. Meets in its hall, 157 Ottawa street, on the first Sunday of each month, at 8 P.M.

Ancient Order of Hibernians. DIVISION No. 2. Meets in lower vestry of St. Gabriel New Church, corner Centre and Laurier streets, on the 2nd and 4th Friday of each month at 8 P.M.

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C.M.B.A. of Canada, Branch 26. Branch 26 meets at St. Patrick's Hall, 92 St. Alexander Street, on every Monday of each month.

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Catholic Benevolent Legion. Shamrock Council, No. 320, C.B.L. Meets in St. Ann's Young Men's Hall, 157 Ottawa Street, on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month.

Catholic Order of Foresters. St. Gabriel's Court, 185. Meets every alternate Monday, commencing Jan. 31, in St. Gabriel's Hall, cor. Centre and Laurier streets.

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