

The Reformed Presbyterians, like all other Sectarian reformers, proclaim the above as their standard. How it is practically followed out the following among other illustrations will explain.

Suspension of Rev. J. W. Morton.—It is with much regret we notice the action of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod in this case; not on account of the action itself, but its painful necessity.

In the summer of 1847, Mr. Morton was sent out as their missionary to Hayti. There he suffered himself to come under the influence of some seventh-Day Baptists, and finally adopted their views on the subject of the Sabbath.—During last winter sometime, he sent home a circular, to be distributed among the members of his Synod, announcing his change of views, and his purpose to appear before the Synod at its next meeting for their defence. The following account of the proceedings in this case we cut from the Louisville Herald.

At the late meeting of the Reformed Presbyterian Synod of the city of Philadelphia, Rev. J. W. Morton was arraigned on the charge of heresy, in teaching that the first day of the week is not the Christian Sabbath. Mr. M. pleaded guilty to the charge, and desired liberty to go into the proof of his position from the Sacred Scriptures. The Moderator decided that he was to be tried by the standards of his Church which at his ordination he had adopted as his interpretation of the word of God, and that he had no right to appeal to any new interpretation which he may have adopted since that time. He appealed from this decision and the chair was sustained. Mr. Morton then declined the authority of the Court, and protested against any further action in his case, and appealed to the head of the Church.

It was then resolved that he be suspended from the ministry and privileges of the Reformed Presbyterian Church.—*Pitts. Cath.*

SECESSION FROM THE ENGLISH CHURCH.—The Rev. R. Ainslie lately said at a Public meeting held in Exeter:—"There are some two hundred other clergymen in the kingdom, at this moment, who, if their Bishops were to do towards them as the Bishop of Exeter has done towards Mr. Shore, also would be placed in similar circumstances." It is thus declared in a public meeting in England, where the facts must be known, that there are now living and preaching there, two hundred ministers that have seceded from the Established church.

ST. MARY'S COLLEGE.

As the Summer Vacation will terminate on Tuesday next, the 7th inst., the school will be reopened on the following day, when the Pupils are requested to be in attendance.

The friends of the Institution will be glad to learn that in addition to the English and classical Professors already in the College, the services of a Professor of Mathematics, Practical Surveying, Plain and Ornamental Writing, &c. have been secured; and that henceforward no exertion will be spared to promote the moral and intellectual improvement of the Students.

PROSPECT.

On Monday last a solemn High Mass and Office of the dead was celebrated at Prospect, by the Rev. David O'Connor, assisted by some of the Students of St. Mary's College, on behalf of the soul of Mr. Martin Delaney formerly a fellow-Student of the Rev. Gentleman, at St. Patrick's College Carlow.

HERRING COVE.

The Treasurer of St. Paul's Church, acknowledges the receipt of One Pound, from Thomas Kenny, Esq.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Patrick.—You mistake us altogether. We have not changed our opinions on the merits of Smith O'Brien and the State Convicts. The sentiments of the Cross are well known on that sad subject. We never concealed our belief in the madness

and folly of the abortive insurrection of 1848, and we predicted from the beginning its disastrous end. The State Convicts made their silly attempt in spite of the well-known wishes of the people of Ireland. They exposed the country to all the horrors of civil war without the smallest chance of success. In the midst of all the loud talk and grandiloquent bombast of last year, we were never imposed on. The fatal consequences which we then apprehended have come to pass. Ireland has been laid prostrate beneath the feet of her wily oppressor. But, though we blame the unhappy convicts for much of this misery and degradation, we blame the English Government more. They connived at, and encouraged the Young Irelanders; they might have prevented this foolish outbreak several months before it was attempted; they coolly calculated on the excuse it would afford them for suppressing the liberties of Ireland; and the chance it would give them of securing their continuance in power. They violated the forms of law and the spirit of justice. They exhibited the mean malignity of revenge. In one word the conduct of the Whigs from the celebrated battle of the cabbage garden of Boulagh, down to the present moment has been one tissue of duplicity, cruelty and spite, whilst their victims were every day gaining ground in public opinion by their manly bearing, disinterested sacrifices, and unselfish patriotism. They have proved that if their heads were deficient in judgment, their hearts were true to Ireland. Their many faults have been fully redeemed by their noble conduct since their trial, and we repeat it was an impolitic as well as disgraceful act in the Whigs, to have hurried them off from their native land within a few days of the Queen's first visit to Ireland. One hundred and fifty thousand Irishmen have already petitioned her Majesty for their pardon. It has been sternly, if not contemptuously refused, at least, by her ministers. For the honour of the Irish nation we hope the petition will not be repeated. Any forgiveness now would be shorn of half its grace. And because it is so, we hope we shall not have the mortification of furnishing some new Byron with an appropriate theme for another *Irish Avatar*.

A Presbyterian.—We know not whether your signature be genuine, but in any case we think your strictures too severe. The 'command' in question does not concern the members of your communion, nor indeed those of any other creed except what is called the 'Established Church' though we do not recognize any such thing in these parts. The practice referred to, is quite consistent. The State is the Head and Master of the Church, and the Church is the creature and slave of the state. She and her Ministers must therefore do as they are desired by the Powers that be. But when our fellow-citizens of any denomination do not interfere with our spiritual independence, we think it would be very bad taste in us to meddle with their religious regulations.

Q.—We have never done so, and we will not begin now. The thing will fall by its own absurdity without any help from such crooked letters of the alphabet.

Children in the two extremes of life must have some play-things to amuse them.

M. H. Enquire at the Artillery barrack.
Agnus.—An ignorant heretic will sneer at every thing. Whenever he laughs, you are sure to be right.

Jonas.—How could you expect your advice would be taken? The man who would have sense enough to take so sound and friendly an advice, would never have got into his present predicament. As you quote Horace, we will repay you from an old monk:—

Argue consultum, te diliget; arguo stultum, Avertet vultum, nec te dimittet inultum.

Verax.—Is angry on account of our pithy advice last week, but we think he is unreasonably so. His letter was very caustic on one of his neighbours, and surely he might have patiently received a good advice in return. What right have we to be so angry with others because they will not amend? We cannot control their wills nor change their heads. Let Verax first correct his own faults, for it is in his power to do so, and then his indignation against others, if not justifiable, will at least be more consistent.

We will endeavour to gratify the wishes of a *Tecotaller*.

B.—The question of the division of the commandments was discussed and settled in this Journal two years ago.

Placcus.—Your translation would not suit our columns. The lines in question were not given as specimens of Classic Latinity, but as a description of an old ceremony in quaint, mediæval metre. The Catholic Church is rich in Latin poetry, and the immortal productions of some of her Gifted Sons have been justly compared to some of the best productions of antiquity. The Society of Jesus alone has furnished more Latin poets than all the Protestants in the world since the Reformation. It is a curious fact that Protestantism has not produced one great Latin poet—not one that comes within fifty degrees of our Vidas, and Casimirs, and Bembos and Sannazaros and Santeuils. The Latin of the English Universities is cramp, stiff, and full of Saxon idioms; the very best specimens of their published Latin poetry would disgrace an humble Grammar School in Catholic Europe. It was only the other day we read with unmitigated disgust the following specimen of a Latin Hymn! which was composed and recited at Boston on the occasion of inaugurating a new President of Harvard University. Here is the choice bantling of that famous seat of learning;—

Quantos honores ferro nos
Debemus, O Deus,
Salutis et vite Dator,
Qui duxeris bene
Nostros patres in hæc loca,
Eos et anxia
Cura diu defenderis,
Magno a periculo.

Deditque lenitas tua
Hæc multa commoda.
Quibus diu fructi sumus.
Ignosce crimina.
Fac ut bonus nobis hodie
Adsit favor tuus.
Augeto nos virtutibus
O Præpotens Pater.

Divina sit Prudentia
Insignis ingeni,
In omnibusque dirigat
Hunc Præsidentem novum.—
Anno salutibus transigat,
Possitque dicere
Se præstitisse munera
Honestè ad ultimum.

Venice.—A letter from Trieste, of the 28th ult., states that the fall of Venice may be calculated to a certainty; that the Austrians are advancing step by step on the bridge, and that they can silence the Venetian battery on the opposite side in four days. Several attempts at conciliation had been made, but to no purpose; a few days ago the Venetians might have obtained honourable conditions, but now Austria will hear of nothing but an unconditional surrender.

ASSOCIATION FOR THE PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH.

PROSPECT.

We are happy to learn that through the zealous exertions of the Rev. Mr. O'Connor, the good work progresses in the district of Prospect. The following sums have been transmitted this week to the Treasurer at Halifax.

UPPER PROSPECT.

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Total £3 1s. 10d.

St. Mary's Catechistical Society PIC-NIC.

THE Members of the above Institution intend giving their Annual Festive Entertainment to the Children under their superintendance, on Tuesday next, the 7th August, at McNab's Island, which has been kindly granted for the occasion, by Peter McNab, Esq.

A Boat conveying the Children, and those appointed to take charge of them, will leave Power's Wharf, at half-past nine o'clock. Additional Trips will be made at half-past 11 and two o'clock, for visitors.

By the kind permission of Colonel Farquharson, the Band of the 7th Regiment, will be in attendance.

The charge for visitors will be 1s. 3d., who will be admitted by Tickets—to be procured at the Bookstores of Messrs Joseph Graham, and James Donohoe; and at the Store of Mr. Rodger Cunningham. No money will be taken at the wharf.

Arrangements have been made by the Committee with parties for supplying Visitors with Refreshments.

Should the weather prove unfavourable the Pic-Nic will take place the first fair day after August 4.