

regular boats. This is a great degree consequent on the rush of emigration from Liverpool, which has scarcely ever been greater than at present.

THE SEAPORER MURDER.—STRANGE PROCEEDINGS.—Some eight days ago I announced to you that John Gregory, who was sentenced to death at the last Downpatrick assizes for the murder of John Gallagher, had made a confession of his guilt to the Episcopal chaplain of the prison, the Rev. M. Ritchie.

THE REPRESENTATION OF WESTMEATH.—The Westmeath Independent says—Several candidates have been already mentioned, amongst others—Sir John Ennis, a firm supporter of the present Government.

CAUSES OF RIBBONISM.—Mr. W. H. Gregory, member for Galway, in a letter published by the Irish Times, states his opinion that the discontent out of which Ribbonism arises is caused in a great measure by the tenants being reduced to laborers through the clearing for pasture lands, and the wretched hovels into which the people are driven.

DEATH OF A BROTHER OF THE CARDINAL.—The death is announced of Edward Cullen, Esq., which took place at his residence, Tara, Co. Meath, on the 22nd of March. The deceased gentleman was brother to his Eminence the Cardinal-Archbishop.—R.I.P.

THE CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY.—The Corporation of Limerick have passed a unanimous vote in favor of a charter and endowment for the Catholic University.

WE UNDERSTAND THAT ARTANE CASTLE, a spacious mansion in the neighbourhood of Dublin, has been purchased by the Christian Brothers, with the view to its being converted into a novitiate, or central training establishment for the order in Ireland.

EMIGRATION.—It is extraordinary, notwithstanding the comparatively improved condition of the country, that emigration from this port seems to likely exceed the exodus from this port last Spring.

ABSENCE OF CHIEF IN WATERFORD.—At the opening of the Waterford City Sessions Court this week by B. C. Lloyd, Esq., Q.C., on addressing the grand jury, his Worship remarked that there was but one case to go before them, and that for common assault.

THE O'DONOGHUE has given a formal denial to the report that he is about to retire from the representation of Tralee.

ON THE SHOWING OF A PARLIAMENTARY RETURN, issued lately, it appears that nearly 70,000 persons emigrated from Ireland last year.

TWO men, whose names are unknown, have been beaten in a dreadful manner, near Ballyhealy, county Donegal; and a third person, when going for a priest and a doctor, was also violently assaulted.

A RETURN of the wrecks of Gally Head, county Cork, within the last six years has been issued. Eight vessels have been disabled or lost in that time.

DISAPPEARANCE OF SMALL POX FROM DROGHEDA.—The Drogheda Argus says that, as far as can be

learned, small-pox has entirely disappeared from Drogheda.

THE FOLLOWING extract is from the Pall Mall Gazette, April 3:—To afford pecuniary aid to a body not our own is the same thing as relieving a beggar.

EMIGRATION FROM IRELAND.—The Irish Registrar-General gives the following account of the 75,000 emigrants who left the Irish ports in 1870.—41 per cent. were under five years old; 75 per cent. were five, but under 15; 76 per cent. were 15 but under 35; 77 per cent. were 35, but under 45; 26 per cent. were 45, but under 55; 11 per cent. were 55 and upwards; the ages of 1 per cent. are not specified.

IMPROVEMENT ON IRISH FARMERS.—According to the London correspondent of the Irish Times the report of the Westmeath Committee states that crime of a serious character has existed in Westmeath, King's County, and Meath for the last three years, and is on the increase, more especially in reference to combinations and conspiracies having for their object assassinations and other agrarian crimes.

STATE OF SLIGO.—If evidence were wanting of the peaceable disposition of the industrious inhabitants of this county, it is amply supplied in the address of the Chairman of Quarter Sessions to the Grand Jury at Ballycote, on Wednesday last.

MONASTIC INSTITUTIONS.—If any body of men or women voluntarily agree to live in religious seclusion, by what right can Mr. Newdegate lay claim to the power to examine as to who they are, or what they are, or what are their practices?

CURIOSITIES OF MARRIAGE LAWS.—The Irish and Scotch present many striking contrasts, but in nothing do they differ so much as in their laws relating to marriage. The difference may be concisely expressed by saying that the Irishman's difficulty has been to know how to get married, and the Scotch to know whether he is married or not.

GREAT BRITAIN.—REPUBLICANISM IN ENGLAND.—Republicanism is making a more rapid growth in England than the upper classes are willing to admit.

THE REAL TYRANTS OF ENGLAND.—Two things, it has been said, are necessary to a modern martyr—some pity and some to persecute, some to regret and some to resist him.

AND HE HAD FOUND that in Birmingham, Newcastle, Nottingham, and other large towns, Republican clubs had been formed, comprising thousands of members.

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NOISE, went in great excitement for a police officer. We are not told what the constable was expected to do.

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THE EXPENSE of the maintenance of the Royal family in all its branches amounts annually to not more than \$1,750,000, while the sum paid to the salt companies is twice that amount, and to the pig iron corporations as much as is paid to support the Royal families of Prussia, Holland, Belgium, Italy, Austria, Bavaria, Russia, and Greece.

SENSATIONAL PREACHING IN NEW YORK.—The following sharp sentences are from the "Hermit in New York," in his last letter to the Troy Times:—It is absurd for a minister to think of remaining in a pulpit unless he can attract a remunerative audience.

IN THE BURLESQUE republic of the Paris Communists the mob of the capital rule not the capital alone, but the provinces, tax, and maintain itself by unceremonious seizure of private funds wherever it can find them.

THE SUFFRAGE.—seriously menaced, we are fast approaching the point where no species of property is safe, and our money and our liberties are held at the mercy of the worst portion of the community.

A FARMER'S TRICK.—Some years ago there lived in Western Pennsylvania two farmers named Wood and Osborne, respectively. They were near neighbours but inveterate enemies; and it is said that they lived almost within sight of one another for fourteen years without speaking to each other.

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THE JESUITS IN JERSEY CITY.—The Jesuit Fathers, who were assigned by Bishop Bayley to St. Peter's Church, Jersey City, took formal possession of the rectory of that church on the 13th ult.

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