

THE COALITION AND THE LAND BILLS.—The Tuam Herald denounces the perfidious betrayal of the Land Question by Lord Abertee and his colleagues:—"The Council of the Tenant League have now their work once more clear before them. There is an end to all the 'fair-trial' sophisms and cognate quibbles of the 'pledge-breakers and their open and covert partizans throughout the country.' It is now quite plain that from the very commencement of the reign of the Cabinet of all the talents there existed no sincere wish to concede their just demands to the tenant classes of Ireland. We look upon the labors in Parliament of the leaders of the cause to be, under present circumstances, as almost so much valuable time thrown away. Their plain course is to come home and once more reanimate and reinvigorate the souls of the Irish tenantry by their burning eloquence. In despite of all the efforts of the partizans, of the renegades, they possess the unbounded confidence of the great mass of the people. It is in vain that under several specious pretences efforts are being made to instill into the public mind feelings of distrust and aversion. Those who, under the cover of sordid and selfish purposes, seek to damage the reputation of Moore, Lucas, and Gavan Duffy and their supporters and friends, know and feel in their inmost souls that those gifted men are trusted and beloved by the Irish nation. The corruptionists dare not meet them in open day-light before any meeting of honest Irishmen. They have been dared to the conflict; but they have shrunk from the issue. The gold of the treasury and the patronage of Government are arrayed on one side; but with proper and energetic exertions those influences will be vanquished, by the integrity and usual patriotism of the mass of the tenant electors and non-electors of Ireland."

LANDLORD AND TENANT AND POWER OF LEASING (IRELAND) BILL.—In the House of Lords on Thursday, 18th ult., the Duke of Argyll, in moving that the house do resolve itself into committee to consider the law of Landlord and Tenant and the Power of Leasing (Ireland) Bill, remarked that the select committee had considered the eight Bills submitted to them, and had from their provisions constructed the bill now before the house—the main provisions of which were, that tenants who, at their own expense, erected any buildings, should have a power to remove those, subject of course to the right of purchase on the part of the landlord. The house having resolved itself into a committee, a considerable discussion took place upon the details of the bill, but ultimately the bill passed this stage, and the house adjourned. The second reading of the Tenant compensation (Ireland) Bill had been fixed for Wednesday, 24th ult., in the House of Commons.

THE IRISH CORRUPTION COMMITTEE.—Although the labors of this committee have not yet concluded, the subjoined outline of the report, published in the Mail is believed to be, as far as it goes pretty near the mark:—"The report of the corruption committee is now draughted and under consideration. The report, as far as I can learn, will state that though the opinion has been for a long time prevalent in Ireland that places were habitually sold by some of the representatives of the Emerald Isle, yet that the members towards whom these reports pointed were very few in number. It will state that a variety of these idle stories have been investigated, but that none of them appeared to have any foundation whatever. It will allude, at some length, to the charges brought against Mr. Keogh for selling places to Colonel Smith, at Athlone, which, it will state, was a wilfully false and malicious accusation; and it will completely exonerate Mr. Keogh (in terms more flattering than necessary) of any traffic in places in this or any other matter. It will express regret that party spirit is permitted in Ireland to descend to such low and vulgar personal attack. It will congratulate the House upon the fact that if any such acts have been committed, they were so evidently opposed to the public opinion of Irish gentlemen, that no clue could be discovered to trace them home with the limited powers possessed by the committee; but it will not propose any further proceedings. The report will point to the contract for the sale of a place in England and by an Englishman as the only case that has come under their notice; the Irish Corruption Committee will most probably recommend a prosecution of this unfortunate Englishman; and the report will conclude with stating its conviction that their labors will have the effect of removing many prejudices, of putting an end to infamous personal charges made without the slightest foundation, and will conduce to mere public confidence in public men."

THE HERO OF ODESSA.—We learn from an old soldier, now in charge of the family mansion of the McCleventys, which is situated in the village of Glynn, between Larne and Carrickfergus, that on Monday evening when the intelligence arrived in that neighborhood of the heroic part taken by the gallant commander of the Terrible, in the bombardment of Odessa, a scene of rejoicing took place which it was delightful to witness. The windows of the old romantic mansion were illuminated, tar barrels blazed in front, and around their ruddy flame the young village lads and lasses collected, the former discharging their fire-arms in honor of the event and of the family, all whose male members are now abroad, serving their Queen and country by land and sea.—Belfast News-Letter.

A correspondent of the Dublin Weekly Telegraph complains of the exclusion of Catholics from all situations, public and private:—"On the authority of an official of the gaoil, I state that a clerkship in it would not be given to a Catholic—the board of Superintendence being all Protestants, with about six exceptions. All mercantile houses employ Protestants, though the greater number of them are patronised and supported by Catholics. I am sure your readers will feel no little surprise to hear that a Protestant minister, who never considers his periods sufficiently rounded while denouncing Catholics without ending with "Popery" and infidelity, should be prejudiced as to advise the dismissal of Catholic females. This, on the authority of his own hearers, is attributed to him. With many of his hearers he has been too successful—though others, to their credit, refused compliance."

GREAT BRITAIN.

The following extraordinary paragraph has appeared in the foreign intelligence of the London journals:—"Mr. Wheble, the Catholic Chaplain to the troops, has been ordered by Colonel Spencer of the 44th to remove his tent from the encampment." Attention has been already directed to this extraordinary circumstance in the British Parliament: but government declare their inability to explain.

The London Times has a very appropriate hit at Protestant converts. We strongly recommend it to the attention of our friends of the French Canadian Missionary Society:—"A visitor at Exeter-hall may have witnessed the reception of a sleek missionary, who has brought with him a tattooed convert. The youth presents himself dressed in clerical costume, and the fair sex are in raptures at the intelligent remarks of the ex-cannibal, the particularly sweet smile with which he shows his filed teeth, and his intimate acquaintance with some of the prettiest little tracts.—He receives at once a round of invitations from the fashionables of the religious world. He is introduced to pious blacks who have escaped from Texas, and to learned theologians who make a large income by their knowledge of apocalyptic futurity. Every one feels an interest in him, and listens to his narratives of how he used to dine on his captives or his wives until Mr. Jones showed him the error of his ways. Everything goes well, until at last the neophyte disappears with a sum collected for the conversion of Eamschatka, and is apprehended in a state of inebriety in Wapping."

Within the last month, 1,600 shipwrecked emigrants who embarked at Liverpool for America, have returned to Liverpool, the vessels in which they sailed having been either wrecked or disabled.

HOUSE OF COMMONS—MAY

THE END OF MR. CHAMBERS'S ATTACK UPON THE NUNS. On the order for resuming the debate on the Conventual and Monastic Institutions,

Mr. Newdegate, after alluding to the extraordinary opposition to this inquiry, earnestly advised Mr. Chambers to bring in a bill on the subject, thereby avoiding the "Irish rows" which they would otherwise have to encounter.

Mr. Bright indignantly repelled the charges brought against the Irish members. He believed Mr. Chambers to be actuated by good motives. He strongly recommended him not to prosecute the subject, and to withdraw his inquiry, and never let the subject be heard of again.

Mr. Collier protested against the majority being compelled to submit to the decision of a factious minority.

Mr. Ball concurred in the recommendation of Mr. Bright.

Mr. Chambers said, that after full consideration, he had come to the determination to withdraw the inquiry. He had been met by a factious opposition, which would, he believed, have been unsuccessful but for the help afforded by Government. He concluded by withdrawing his proposition for the nomination of a committee.

Lord J. Russell at some length vindicated the conduct of the Government. He expressed his satisfaction at the withdrawal of the inquiry. He agreed with Mr. Bright in the character of these discussions. The subject was one on which no legislation was required.

Sir J. Pakington, Mr. Cogan, Mr. Drummond, Mr. Malins, Lord F. Howard, and others, addressed a few remarks to the House.

Lord J. Russell again defended his right to declare his own opinion, denying that he had lent himself to any unfair opposition to the measure.

On the question that the motion for appointing the committee be discharged,

Mr. Craufurd opposed the motion. The House then divided—For the motion, 100; against it, 1; majority, 99.

UNITED STATES.

The Shepherd of the Valley says that, the Holy See has refused to accept the resignation which the Right Rev. Anthony O'Regan offered of his appointment to the Bishopric of Chicago.

Street preaching, with its inevitable accompaniments, still continues to be a popular amusement in New York, and the large cities of the Union. A Rev. Mr. Parsons addressed a crowd, from his tub, on Sunday week, and his coarse remarks naturally provoked some indignant rejoinders; for if the preacher be allowed, on the public thoroughfares, to insult the passers by, it is scarcely to be expected, that the latter will always refrain from retaliation. In this instance, however, it seems that the Irish Catholics present confined themselves to hooting, and hissing; whereupon they were attacked and severely maltreated by the Protestant rabble. Fortunately, no lives were lost.

A terrible riot occurred in Brooklyn on Sunday last, between a party of Protestants who had been attending a street preacher, and were returning from escorting him down to the ferry, and a body of Catholics. Firearms were freely used, and it was found necessary to call out a party of the 14th Regiment to quell the disturbance. About 50 persons were wounded, some it is thought fatally.

"SECRET SOCIETIES."—The organization of the "Know Nothings" seems to be rapidly extending throughout the Union; and this secret society, recruited from amidst the jail-birds and ruffianism of the country, aspires to be a power in the State, above the Constitution. The overthrow of the Papacy, and the destruction of Catholic institutions, are the objects at which it avowedly aims. One of the members of this infamous association, and, by his own account, one holding a very prominent situation therein, wrote lately to a Catholic clergyman in New York, offering, for the sum of \$10,000, to betray its secrets, and to give up the papers containing full details of its policy. The clergyman, thus addressed, very sensibly declined the offer; as he did not consider the secrets of the society worth purchasing. At New Orleans, the "Know Nothings" are forming military companies under the name of a National Guard; already serious riots have occurred through their processions; several persons have been wounded, and one has been killed.

The "Nebraska Bill" is represented as but the first of a series of measures for increasing and perpetuating the influence of the Slave States. The acquisition of Cuba, by fraud, or force, will be the next. France and England however have guaranteed the integrity of the Spanish dominions in the West Indies, and an attack upon Cuba by the Americans would most probably lead to war betwixt the United States, and the allied European Powers.

Burns, the fugitive slave, has been delivered up by the authorities of Boston. He was escorted by a large body of troops and police, in expectation of an attempt at rescue, on board a Revenue Cutter which immediately set sail. Great excitement still continues. Cholera has made its appearance in the State of New York. Several cases have already terminated fatally.

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