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MISSIONS IN IRELAND. (From the Tablet:)

The writer of the little work, of which we give ette title above, has written from a sentiment of the justice due to the Irish people. It is well known (for they are not people who put their lights under bushels) how loud are the Protestant, " missioners" in their claims. If we listened to them we should be-Here that the Catholic faith was altogether on its last legs in Ireland. The Government only wishes, no doubt, that it could be of the same opinion. The book before us is a popular account of several missions undertaken by the Fathers of Charity, not only in country, but in town parishes, all over Ireland .-The success attending these missions furnishes, of course, the real answer to any of the noisy announcements of the Exeter Hall declaimers, and we have but to give our readers a few extracts from many accounts, which, we will promise, shall be fair specinot quite well enough convinced already, of the true

state of things. Thus:-The reverend Dr. Gentili, writing to a friend in England concerning the issue of the first mission, preached at Saint Audeon's Church, expresses him-

self in the following terms:-

"I was kept up in the confessional a good part of the night, and so were others of the Clergy. If we had forty or fifty Priests, we should not gather all the fruit that might be gathered; and, therefore, you many see that a mission preached here (Ireland) bears double the fruit of those in England. Thousands upon thousands went to Holy Communion this morning at the different Masses. Two, and sometimes Communion to the Faithful, in order to dismiss the neople, that others might take their place in the church; and the church, remember, accommodates thousands. You will be glad to hear how Almighty God bas vouchsafed to bless our first mission in Ireland, by the conversion of fifty-five Protestants, and Confirmation of 850, and more than 20,000 Communions. Hundreds and bundreds approached the after many years' absence."—(Pp. 6, 7.)

The Father died at his post :-

"The death of this zealous servant of God and toly Missionary was the close, or rather the crown, insulting to Catholic feeling were circulated and postof the missions preached by the Fathers of Charity ed all over the city, inviting the inhabitants to conno Catholic Ireland during the year 1848. The antroversial lectures, in answer, it was said, to the ser-nouncement of his death was like a powerful electric mons of the Fathers. But whilst Protestants, as we shock, which pervaded every rank and class of Dub- have already observed, flocked to hear the sermons his society, but was felt perhaps most by the hum- of the missions, the wretched proselytising Parsons bler classes of the inhabitants. It was then that it could scarcely ever muster an audience surpassing appeared how wonderful was the impression which fifty persons, whether Protestants, or what they call his eloquence and sacred ministrations had made upon converts; one night they had only thirty-nine, just the whole population, as well as how great was the enough to represent, as a local paper wittily observed, only outwardly, apostatised from the faith of their estimation in which he and his labors were held. No sooner was it reported that he was dead than such a have, indeed, established schools in the town, and of those unscrupulous, conscienceless, and unprincicrowd gathered round the Augustinian chapel-bouse that the thoroughfares became almost blocked up, and it became necessary to have a détachment of police at the chapel door to prevent accident. After be very small; and it could not be matter of surthe corpse had remained part of two days in the prise that in the midst of such squalid poverty, as a Augustinian house and chapel, to content the wishes of the people it was deemed proper to transfer if to St. Audeon's Church. This design was not effected the proposals made to them, rather than starve.without considerable difficulty, owing to the tremendous crowd that filled the thoroughfares in the neighborhood. About a dozen men uplifted the bier supporting the corpse, and with difficulty conveyed it hardship. In one part of the parish, as they were over the heads of the multitude that was pressing informed, every effort had been made by the proseover the heads of the multitude that was pressing: around from the smaller church to the larger one .-There the body of the deceased Missionary, vested for the purpose, schoolmaster and schoolmistress in Clerical robes and covered with flowers by the sent, large promises of support held out (amongst pious simplicity of the people, was visible, and left exposed to satisfy their anxious devotion. It was child in the locality that should go to the school); here that he preached his first Irish mission, and here and yet, all in vain; not one child was found willing he was now again still speaking, in death, more powerfully to the hearts of all than he could have done in life, and riveting and rendering indelible the impression produced by his former words and labors."-(Pp. 17, 12.)
Let us now go from Dublin to a more Protestant

capital of one of the four provinces. The Rev. Fathers Rinolfi and Lockhart, of the Order of Cha- food through the day, and would have to lie on the Belfast. We will here let the Protestant journal that very night. And though the proselytisers were

Roman Catholics, attend in St. Malachy's Chapel, Truly, numbers of them have evinced, and daily at the specified hours, for the purpose of bearing evince, the same spirit which actuated the martyrs them. Each morning, after an early Mass, one of the in their sufferings and privations."—(Pp. 73, 74.) preachers addresses the people, and, each evening, both gentlemen deliver discourses. These are direct—of the "procelytising party." A certain Protestant citing aloud the Rosary of the Eyer-Blessed Virgin another who is coming back," and in a few minutes, ed with a view to the full inculcation of the broad journal asserted as follows:

Mary, as they moved orderly along. At about two in the face of steward, Bible-readers, Parsons, and Principles of charity and moval rectitude; but as the "He informed his readers that Father Lockhart miles west of Louisburg, from a height there, when rangistrates; ten of the so-called "Jumpers" pre-

in a special manner to an explanation of the conditions laid down by the Church as necessary for the proper realisation of the Sacrament. The mere matter of preaching is a very subordinate portion of the duties of the Missioners. It is in the confessionals their labors are onerous-indeed remarkably severe. From so early an hour as six in the morning till ten at night they are engaged in them, except a very brief portion allotted for meals, and the period occupied by the lectures. . . . The mission bere is to be continued till the 26th Nov., and so far from there being reason to anticipate any abatement of the excitement among the Roman Catholics which it has created, there is rather reason on the other side to conclude that it will increase an intensity till the close of the proceedings. Long before the chapel doors are opened each morning (six o'clock), they are besieged by large numbers, who, when they get the opportunity, rush to the most desirable places in the chapel, in order to obtain an early turn at a confessional."—(Pp. 43, 44.)

The writer afterwards adds that there were 10,000 Communions during the mission, and had there been Confessors enough, the number would have swelled to between 20 and 30,000.

We must not make extracts which sound like repetitions, though in each case the local papers are quoted among other evidence, showing that a similar success attended the Missionary efforts in each place. Accounts, therefore, tally only in the great particular that the missions were alike successful in the vaeven four Priests, were engaged in giving Holy rious districts where they took effect. In Galway we hear something of the Exeter Hall gentlemen and their efforts. It is on this side of Ireland that the most energetic pecuniary efforts of that section of the Protestant Society of England have been made. These are the kind of results, as evidenced during a trial so crucial as the presence of a mission:-

"It must not, however, be supposed that those men would stand with folded arms during a season so Moly Sacraments, for the first time in their life, or fatal to their system as this was. From the opening of the mission many efforts were made to darken, if possible, the brilliancy of truth; challenges to the Missioners and Clergy, handbills and placards most troversial lectures, in answer, it was said, to the sercould scarcely ever muster an audience surpassing succeeding in inducing a few starving parents to send their children to them, and have also picked up some the souls of the poor, and who go about like few orphan children; but their number was found to 'ravening wolves in sheep's clothing,' and 'roaring very large proportion of the population must endure, some should be found willing to pretend to adhere to The Missioners found that the vast majority of the poorest people, rather than defile their souls with that sin of hypocrisy, were enduring every sort of lytisers to establish a school—a house was prepared other things, two cwt. of meal offered to the first to attend, not one parent willing to send one child to that school, though there were hundreds in that very locality well nigh starving. One of the Parish Priests, well, acquainted with the wretched condition of the poor assured the Missioners that the very day on which he was speaking, there were, in one locality alone, hundreds of persons who had scarcely had any cold floor of their miserable cabins, without food, there offering them food, and covering, and fuel for The ardent eloquence, by which the daily dis-fire, if they would but attend or send their children courses of both the gentlemen are distinguished, is to the Bible schools and chapels, those good Cathosia a character so attractive that a great many; not lies preferred rather to die than accept the bribe.—

Stories like the following are one of the weapons

nity to the Roman Catholics to perform one of the mission, that his father and mother were both damned, crowds in each direction as far as the eye could whole course of the mission, mentioned his father or mother; it was useless for him to say that even if he had been represented to have said, his father having faith, and, moreover, a Nun in a connent at Greenwich."—(P. 90.)

On the other hand, we have a significant morceau

"A Catholic of Clifden, being in conversation with a Protestant, who boasted of the many conversions from Popery effected by proselytisers in Ireland, stopped him at once by saying, 'Show me a man bor what was the cause or meaning of all this; but possessed of a cow, a pig, sheep, or horse, that has in a short time those men were joined by some of turned to your religion, and then I shall believe your pretended converts sincere."—(P. 91.)

In Lisburn, during a mission preached by Fathers Rinolfi and Vilas, the following incident (not a singular instance) takes place. We quote the present one for the great beauty and interest of the description:

"After the conclusion of the Forty Hours' devotion, and after the Irish sermon, Father Rinols ascended the altar and amidst breathless silence called aloud upon any or all of those present who had the misfortune, for any cause whatsoever, to have joined the ranks of proselytism, to come forward publicly to the foot of God's altar, and there beg pardon of the Almighty for the great scandal they had given, and seek reconciliation with the Church which they had so grievously disedified, saying that they would be received back with open arms. Upon this there was an indescribable commotion among the entire congregation, making way here and there through the chapel for the several persons who were anxious to avail themselves of his paternal invitation, and thirty-five of those, now we trust, happy people were in a short time seen ranged round the altar, to the universal consolation of the flock, who were offering prayers of thanksgiving to Heaven for the happy return of so many prodigal children. Father Rinolfi then, after their making a public profession of faith, absolved them from all censures incurred by their apostacy, received them back, and admitted them to partake of the consolations and Sacraments of their tender and loving mother, the Church. The sight of those poor creatures before him, who appeared now so humbled and broken-hearted for having, though led emissaries of bell, who make a merchandise of lions seeking whom they may devour'-denunciations not easily, we hope, to be forgotten."-(Pp. 219, 220.)

We will conclude with the description of a pilgri-mage to the colony of Bunlehinch:—

"A proselytising company having obtained a long lease of a large plot of land, built small cottages upon it and a little Protestant church, schools, and parsonage, and hither they bribe as many poor families as they can find willing to barter their immortal souls for a worldly consideration. Though some of these poor creatures had already been reclaimed, there were still a few families in that wretched den, who had not been allowed or had not dared yet to attend the mission. The Fathers were therefore determined to bring the words of salvation within the hearing. even of those outcasts, and said to the people that they must all go, and they would preach in the colony itself to those that were kept slaves there, if necessary even through the keyholes.

"On Thursday, June 29th, the glorious Festival of SS. Peter and Paul—the day fixed for the campaign to the colony—a scene was witnessed in this part of the west such as never could be surpassed—we doubt if ever equalled-in its imposing grandeur and religious display. It was literally indescribable.

"Early in the morning Wasses were celebrated in the chapel at Louisburg, and it was announced that there would be no Mass there at twelve o'clock, but in the West Chapel, immediately after the nine | their God and their Church, though not their hearts, o'clock Mass, the people—some on cars and carts, others on horseback, but the wast majority on foot proceeded in batches of twenties and fifties towards was excited to the highest pitch when one should be the west, each batch; as they had been directed, rehere, another there—"Here is one." "Here is citing aloud the Rosary of the Eyer-Blessed Virgin another who is coming back," and in a few minutes, Wary, as they moved orderly along. At about two in the face of steward, Bible-readers, Parsons, and special object of the mission is to give an opportu-lad publicly said ring the Catholic chapel, during the looking before, and then behind, and seeing, the sented themselves at the platform, were received and the sentence with a sentence

Sacraments of that Church—the Sacrament of Pe- and in hell, because they had died Protestants, and reach, eagerly pressing on their course, and reinforcnance—the exhortations of the Clergy are directed that he was glad of their fate. It was, indeed, use- ed as they went on by the inhabitants of the villages less for Father Lockhart, when made acquainted from every side for miles around, the most gratifywith such four calumny, to declare, as he did, even ing spectacle presented itself—a moving, living mass through the columns of the very paper in which the of fervent, pious, and devoted Catholics, with beads article had first appeared, that he had never, in the in their hands, and heads uncovered, and hearts raised on high to Heaven, imploring the King of Kings, through the intercession of the Glorious and Immahad mentioned them he could not have said what he culate Mother of God—the destroyer of all heresies -to uproot every poisonous plant of heresy, sown in died some years before, and, as he hoped, in invinci- an evil hour, from this purely Catholic land, on which ble ignorance, and his mother not being yet dead at no Protestant foot was known to have trod before all, but being even herself a convert to the Catholic the last seven or eight years, and to banish from amongst them for ever all the baneful influences of this noxious weed.

"As the Missioners with other Clergymen, and a great body of people, were just starting on their journey, cars laden with police from Westport and Murrisk arrived, which created some sensation, and not a little astonishment, each one inquiring his neighthe party stationed there, and put into marching order and having got the word of command, they wended their way to the Bunlehinch camp, the supposed scene of action for the day.

"On passing through the colony the people conducted themselves in the most orderly manner; the only offence that could possibly be alleged at all against them was the pious fervor with which they prayed to Almighty God for the immediate conversion of the poor deluded people, who were there kept in bondage against their consciences by the

Devil and his agents. "On reaching the chapel, which is situate about two miles west of the colony, the congregation from north, east, west, and south was immense. After twelve o'clock Mass a temporary platform was erected in the open field, from which Father Rinolfs. preached to the vast assemblage. After reading for in them the portion of the Acts appointed for that great Festival of SS. Peter and Paul, he applied the persecutions of the infant Church in the person of St. Peter, and the chains in which he was bound, and the miraculous breaking of those chains and Peter's delivery from a prison obtained by the prayers of the Church, which were made to God without ceasing in his behalf, to the state of bondage in which those unhappy creatures were enchained in that prison of Satan, the Bunlehinch colony, and to the chains, which kept them bound there; and observed that those chains, though not of iron, not so strong as the chains of Peter, were still not to be broken by the arm of flesh and blood, but only by the invisible and omnipotent arm of the Lord of Hosts. He, therefore, earnestly recommended all present to offer up their fervent and unceasing prayers to Him in whose hands are all the ends of the earth, that He would send His Angels from on high to break asunder the spiritual chain which bound those misguided poor creatures, and deliver them out of the hands of the Herods of our own time and from all the expectation

" Several horsemen, headed by Father Vilas on horseback, who with his beads raised aloft, announced the mysteries and the first part of each prayer, and was responded to by hundreds of voices in turn, proceeded in most regular order. Father Rinols and other Clergymen, together with several respectable inhabitants on cars, followed themselves preceded and followed by hundreds of footmen, and another body of horsemen closed the rear, all saying the Rosary, each group having its head to announce the prayers, and all the rest responding.

of those modern Jews, who were only seeking the

destruction of their immortal souls.

"It really was a most delightful, beavenly sight .-The road, without exaggeration, for at least one: mile, was crowded with human beings as close as they could ride, drive; or walk, arranged as described above, and proceeding along slowly, observing the most perfect order and devotion. As they were going the mountain side, and descending to the low ground on which the colony is situate, they presented to the riew of the people at the colony a most formidable and imposing sight of a powerful Christian army.

"At the close of his sermon, which was listened to by the overjoyed multitude with breathless silence, Fallier Rinolfi called upon the people to join him in saying aloud three "Hail Marys" for the poor people in the colony who had turned their backs upon which calls was most heartly responded to ; and immediately the enthusiasm of the assembled multitude de

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faith still lives, and which such appearances rouse to seems scarcely credible, and yet it is distinctly as-

--- PROTESTANT PROGRESS.

The following is from the correspondent note the Christian Advocate and Journal, and professes to give a view of the state of Protestantism at the present day in Germany, the birth place of Luther and

the Reformation. State and the Latence of the Mr. Epiron, Germany is dean to America for the Reformation !.. Her subsequent religious history. is full of striking, of anomalous lessons. It propose to review some of its principal phases. They have been extremely cinteresting to me. To not only the thousands of German Christians amongst us, but to the Christian public in general, they can hardly fail to be equally interesting. The prelate :Kappt 'presented at the later Evangelical Alliance meeting, in Paris, the data for such a review. Lavail myself of his aid to give a comprehensive and reliable résumé. of the subject and the

Let us first look a little into the past of the German Church. The decline of the Reformation is the great fact that presents itself in this retrospect. Kappt declares that for half a century the greatest princes, thinkers, and poets of the country have rendered a homage to Rationalism which can only be compared to ancient Paganism, though a little. more refined—placing Christ by the side, of not much above Zoroaster, Socrates, and Seneca. What Festus said to Paul may be truly applied to Germany. "Much learning has made thee made. Their philosophical pursuits, and their application to classical literature have bewildered their reason and madethem blind to the light shining from Bethlehem and Golgotha. The Deism of England and the Materialism of France were seized with avidity by Germany. The authority and avidity of the great Frederick doubtless contributed much to this result, as also the excessive zeal for science, seeking always lozzi, a man whose character was in all respects a new manifestations of itself, but above all the facility with which the natural many seizes upon everything lie instructors. The happiness which was to be sewhich opposes the Spirit of God.

Until the middle of the last century the two principal phases of the religious life of Germany were orthodoxy and pietismi. The first entrenched itself in its adherence to the dead letter of the law, its lifeless formulas, and its uncharitable polemics. The other was too subjective, by the preponderance of the light of the new philosophy. The result was a sentiment and imagination, in most of its adherents, superficial general intelligence which despised the lin both cases the religion of the country was un. Bible and the Church. The injury caused by the adapted to the masses. When the revolutionary new system of teaching thus authorized by the gomovement in France broke forth, it found the ancient Christian faith such an obstacle in its way that among the instructors themselves. Some were at its first efforts were to overthrow and uproof it.

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After the long barbarity of the seventeenth century, which was so clearly visible in the corraption of the language, a new era dawned, a better laste was awakened, and more clevated cultivation was demanded. This demand, however, produced with much good, some lamentable results; hymu-books and liturgies being revised, breathed the corruption of the fialf-Christian or anti-Christian influences of the times, and the people soon deserted the temples, where they were no longer instructed or edified. A small number of theologians, in the midst of all these tempestuous changes, remained constant to the faith, particularly at the University of Tubingen. The infiabitants of Wittemberg kept their faith warm by their steady adherence to their local usages, and by numerous small assemblies, which found support in the Brudergemeinde, an important religious frater-nity which rendered an emphatic testimony of the salutary influences of Christianity upon morality, fraternity, and intellectual culture and success.

The influence of Rationalism on science was lanentable indeed; but that which bore most directly upon the life of the people was its influence on the course of public instruction. The more the Church was humbled the prouder arose the scholasticism of the times, asserting its mission to spread that which the degenerate Church declared was the only thing necessary, viz., intellectual culture. This immense advantage was to be immediately diffused throughout the entire nation. A certain set of writers became he fashion, such as Rousseau, Pestelozzi, Dinter, and others, who deny the doctrines of original sin, re-demption through Jesus Christ, and regeneration by the Holy Spirit. They taught that the natural goodness in all men in only to have its outward manifestation, instead of being created within by the power of Christianity. This erroneous opinion of Pestanoble one, was imposed by government upon all pubpetty universities sprung up everywhere, and the future educators of the people studied the sciences in new system of teaching thus authorized by the government can scarcely be calculated. Discords arose variance with the new ideas, others with their ancient

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absolved from all censures, to the inexpressible delight of every one present, except the self-interested light of the every difficult with every difficult present light of every one present, except the self-interested light of the unchristian system of Common sense, let us hear no more to the Globe interfer with his new trial rights? The old man is too light of the unchristian system of Common light of the light of the unchristian system of Common light of the unchristian system of Common light of the unchristian system of Common faith still lives, and which such appearances rouse to seems scarcely credible, and yet it is distinctly asits inmost depths, where rich and poor, and young and old, flock together over the plains and through in German churches upon the oultivation of the property of the streets and lines to hear, not the Bible distrithe streets and lines to hear, not the word of God in butters of noisy sectories, but the word of God in the management of animals and stables, upon the been preached they and their kindred associates, who contrived the distribution of the plan to rid of recligion gradually sto convertion chiral plan to rid of recligion gradually sto convertion chiral plan to rid of recligion gradually to chirches into hills of science, and do establish everywhere to be compelled the management of animals and stables, upon the butter children. This infidel contrivance has been carried into execution in the neighboring Republic, themes.

After the long barbarny of the seventeenth, ceuprocessors, the holidays, and other equally ridiculous themes.

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God. Second Crime of Bishop de Charbonnel. His Lordsbip advises his flock to use all constitutional means against the opponents of Separate Schools. Holy Church of Luther, Calvin, Henry VIIL, 40, all ye innumerable Governants, Kirks, Synods, Associations, of the blessed Reformation, did you over see in your hallowed assemblages, so wicked a Minister of the Gospel?—Did you ever hear such a blas-phemy? Oh! the wretched, oh! the Jesuitical priest! Oh! The wolf in disguise! To advise his flock to make use of constitutional means! The old doter of the Globe might overlook unconstitutional means; but constitutional or

legal means, never, never. Third Crime of Bishop de Charbonnel. His Lordship directs his flock to require, by constitutional means, from candidates for a parliamentary seat, the pledge to support the Separate Schools in Upper Canada, as enjoyed by Pro-testants in Lower Canada. Is not this an intelerable piece of audacity? Ransack all the annels of crimes, as long, as the one thus holdly perpetrated by that wretch called Dr. de Charbonnel? What right have these contemptible cured to the people by the diffusion of these new privileges as are enjoyed by the Protestants of Lower Canada, was considered such a pressing necessity that made? Is a Catholic to be compared to a Protestant? Is the heads of the Church and state reorganized enthere anything common between these two classes of the tirely the public school system. Normal schools and animal kingdom? Her Protestants rule, possess the land, and all things therein. Catholics, are born to serve the superior race, their hoble Protestant, masters.—Let them plough and dig the ground, open our railways, construct our canals, sweep our streets; let them suffer and die.

Those are their rights and privileges: As to their children, children, with the respectively. dren, and children's children, with the system of Common-Schools, they will be educated thorough Protestant or inlidel, but what is that to the Globe, provided they be not Catholics.—Should these stubborn Catholics complain and lament at their hard fate, let them be whipped and kicked: out of the way, for presuming to, raise their heads on a level with their Protestant fellow-citizens.

Fourth Orimo laid to the charge of His Lordship, Bishop de Charbonnel. This wretched Bishop dares to advise

way to the public resorts, the very twens of the medical still more despicable. It was at this epoch, that there most listinguished poets of German flourished, and light more listinguished from flourished, and light more despicable of the public, incoming the property of the said of the most listinguished from the exact data, and adjust the contrary, the very twens of the public resorts, the very twens of the said of the said of the land, declarate and adjust the filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of your important rage. The work is said to properly and the properly of the filth stime of the public, in the said of the public resorts, the very twens of the filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of your important rage. The work is the filth stime of the public, in the filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of your important rage. The filth stime of the public, in the filth stime of your important rage. The filth

leges? Would Brown of the Globe interfere with his natural rights? The old man is too liberal to maintain such marrow minded policy. The case as different of course with a fight coming from home? Globe a being as by the very fact of his coming from then a declared induction of course ledged unable to do anything good of The Routo of Globe daily repeats to whomsoever may choose to listen to him, and here declares, most solemnly, that Rome being the great Whore of Babylon, any man who is born there, or has visited, and is come from this city, should never be allowed to use constitutional means; nor can he be, in the allowed to use constitutional means; nor can he be, in the opinion of this oracle of wisdom, Brown of the Globe, &

arne Priest and a good Bishop.

If pass over a seventh crime of which Bishop de Charbonnel stands accused in the eyes of the world, I mean the Globe. The Right Rev. Gentleman does not speak Eng-Globe. The Right Rev. Gentleman does not speak English fluently, nor does he write it correctly, says the individual who sits in the editorial chair of that noble sheet. On this subject, I beg to be silent; the charge is of so horrible and so atrocious a nature, that I have neither will nor strength to inquire into it. I fear his Lordship will plead guilty to it, being a foreigner and not long from Rome. Should his infletible judge, I mean the Globe, decree upon him the extreme penalty of the law, I hope the reverend gentleman will be able to meet his awful fate. raince, the contemporary of the same rights which have been granted to the Protest the same rights which have been granted to the Protest tants of Lower Canada, when he advises his people to make use of constitutional means to obtain their rights. This foreign Priest, this Bishop, not long from Rome, does not write or speak English as correctly as the once illustration of the Globe, therefore there cannot be any reason or sense in what he writes or says. A man who has the misfortune to break occasionally the rules of grammar, were he a Wellington, a Napoleon, a Sir Robert Peel, must be a blockhead, and should not pretend to be wiser than a blockhead; so says the learned logician of the Globe. If a man makes use of that instead of this of the Globe. If a man makes use of that instead of this, of his instead of its, if he says I spake instead of I spoke, by the same rule of logic observed by the Globe, he must be put down as a rank ignoramus, an idiot, something be neath the monkey. A marderer of the Queen's English, even in the second degree, cannot be a soldier fit to fight the battle of his country at the Malakhoff, nor a clergy man qualified to teach the people. They only who write English correctly, and pronounce it with the soft, musical accent of the Scotch Editor of the Globe, deserve the appellation of brave soldiers and skilful generals, wise councillors generals and largest clarge generals, wise councillors generals and largest clarge generals. sellors, sealous and learned clergymen, able lawyers, in a word, worthy members of society. Hear this, and bearigh in mind, ye my good friends of the Emerald Island, who up to this day, have retained something of, and glory in the rich and pleasant Irish brogue. Ye also, gallant sons of Seatland, who parchance may draw some words of the rich and pleasant trish brogue. Yo also, gallant sons of Scotland, who, perchance, may drop some words of your dear Lowland idiom, and all ye sons of St. Patrick and St. Audrew, you are good for nothing, fit for no enployment for station in life. Keep out of the way; here is coming the polished gentleman and scholar, the learned Editor of the Globe, who is going to kick you out, better than any of you

ed Editor of the Globe, who is going to kick you out, better than any of you.

Dear readers of the Globe, there are several more crimes perpetrated by that great since Bishop de Charbonnel, and brought to light by that enlightened Editor called P. Brown. But what I have said is sufficient, I trust, to show you the character of the defendant. Let me sum up the charges made out by the Globe against Dr. de Charbonnel! His Lordship is the promoter of ignorance, the abstor of darkness, an enemy of civilization, because he upholds Separate Schools in which religion and christian piety are inculcated on the youthful mind of the rising generation. He is an enemy to our Constitution, rising generation. He is an enemy to our Constitution, because he advises his flock to make use of constitutional means to secure their natural rights. He is an enemy to liberty and equality, because he insists upon obtaining for the Catholics of Upper Canada, the rights and priveleges which are enjoyed by Protestants in the Lower Province. He is an enemy to the country, because he is not born in the happy land which saluted Brown of the Globe, on his entering upon the scene of life; because, forsooth, he is not a Scotchman. He is an enemy to religion and christianity, because he is not long from Rome. Lastly, Bishop de Charbonnel is an enemy to our language, be-

inveterale-hatred against all that is liberal, Christian, pure and noble-minded, is, so, well known that its enlogiums or censure, fall allike on the ground, unheaded, or, despised, but his examine upin conscience, for a moment, old lying scribblehof the Glops, Tell me candidly once in your life, where is the disprincipled politician; the fanatic bigot, in a word, where is, the directainable rogue, the despirate viliain, the midnight thief, whom you have not higged to your bosom, and rendered still more despicable by your impure embraces? Whele is, on the contrary, the noble, our eminded disinterested, and said-sacrificing

dissension among brethren, will have to render a severe account: Again; let me warn you; old man, against the conterible day before it comes: Pause awhile and contem. plate the awful future which opens before you; the wrath of an oriented judge, and the irrevocable sentence to be pronounced against the bearers of false witness and the lestrovers of their brethrens character. Presume not destrovers of their breamen's character. Presume not, and sinuer, because hitherto, the hand, of an avenging fold has spared, the guilty head. The Lord is patient, because he is eternal. We have his sacred word for it. A living witness shall perish."—(Prov. xxi.) "A living witness shall perish."—(Prov. xxi.) "Thou shall destroy all that speak a lie."—(Ps. x.): The same sacred ecords mention a special place where are "Dogsand sorters; and nucleaste, and murders and servers of idols, and murders and servers of idols, and murders and servers of idols. and every one that loveth and maketh lies." (Apo. xxii.) That the Almighty may invent a special pardon for the Editor of the Globe, and all such as may be concerned in that infamous sheet, is the fervent prayer of the writer of

sympathy to the former admirers of the Globe. tor's narrow cranium, precludes the slightest hope of ever teeing that contemptible journal resume its former course. These who are in arreads should settle up their accounts Those who are in arrears should settle "up their accounts as soon as possible; and write "Stop my paper." As to me, I have never partonized the Globe, on the ground that will company corrupt good manners. I never read it, except when it was thrust into my hand, and my attention realizable the some fresh calumny against the Church of the Editor's encestors. I always considered it as an infamous schoot, vulgar in its style, low in its lone, slanderous in its sim, immoral in its tendency, in a word, altogether unfit to be read by a Christian and respectable family. No parents who value good manners, should allow their sons or daughters to gaze over a sheet which is replete with the coarsest diatribes, and betrays a total absence of the com-non courtesy of life, when its Editor sets about belching forth his foul eructation against whatever is pure and holy The tone of society; at the present time, is louthe of such despirable writings. It demands journals conducted by high minded, Ohristian and able editors, capable by the polish of their style, the soundness of their principles, the correctness of their precepts, to restore journalism to its Somer repute, and do away with the low character into which it has descended, by the disgraceful doings of certain editors. That we may soon witness a revolution so desirable, is the earnest wish of the Globe's most sincere

J. M. BRCYERE.

Toronto, December 1855. P.S.—I beg leave to advise those who may wish to form a correct estimate of the respective merits of Catholic and Protestant countries, to read the great work of Balmes on "Civilization." No liberal and enlightened Protestant should be without this admirable and learned work.

(From the Northern Times.)

J. M. B. C

Much has been said in this country about the Protestant Evangelicul Synod held in Paris last, autumn, and great hopes for the spread of heresy have been duilt on the proceedings of that assembly. That our Catholic readers may be able to judge how far these expectations may be realised, we shall lay before them a brief account of one day's transactions. This nteresting little history is borrowed from the Swedish Protestant, journal called the Aftonblad by the Univers, and we translate it from the columns of that paper. The original document was forwarded to the

tors bespoke the mercies of God towards Sweden " that the believers there may be permitted to unite syman, read, at the request of the Synod, an expla-Methodist preacher of the name of Scot (who, by the ceedings; and the crowds of Protestants, who had bye, was some particulars relative to the actual condition of the Baptist party in Sweden, and went at considerable length into the history of the recent personal conditions of the Baptist party in Sweden, and went at meeting of dancing dergises. soutions, slipping in, now and then, as hereby knows now to do, reflections and statements injurious to Ca-

bolicism, Ste., &c., When this paper had been read, it was announced hat there were present at the Conference three Swedish ininisters, one of whom had come in the tholic church, on Monday in St. Mary's Catholic Chaname of the Government, whilst another represented pel, Limerick, by the Rev. Mr. Ryan, C.C., one of the particularly, the kingdom of Denmark. All the prous and exemplary curates of St. Mary's parish. Timerick Rejorter.

They were welcomed by a French minister of the "Timerick Rejorter." The contest for Meath

foundation for these complaints on the part of the carmen, however, had no sooner perceived the nature they don't:- if it were possible they would; and im-Swedish people. We may mention that Mr. Krum-macher spoke in German, causing an interpreter to translate, faithfully, " his eloquent words, which made a deep impression on the audience:27

a Tile senior member of the Swedish deputation addressed, in answer to this, a few words to the president; but he spoke in a lone so low as to be almost inaudible. At the request of the meeting, an English The Professors or Mayrooth.—The same mysgentleman, the vice-president, undertook to answer terions correspondent of the Time; whose singular the question put to the Swedes. He declared that he revelations regarding Irish ecclesiastical diplomacy was not aware of any Swedish minister having been persecuted for having preached the pure Evangelical doctrine. Oh hearing this a great hubbub got up in the assembly, and shouts from every corner of the room declared this to be no answer to the question .-"We do not ask;" said the different speakers, "whe-ther the Swedish ministers have been persecuted, but that interest and the state of the state of what little brain still remained in the Edi. eye was now fixed on the Swedish elergy, and it was expected they would give some explanations, bu they remained silent:

In order to effaceftlie bad impression made by the little drama we have alluded to, an old missioner from Basic launched out into historical details regarding a Swedish missionary called Fjellsiedi. But this digression was seen to be a trick and failed. Nor was Mr. Lundlergson, one of the three Swedish ecclesiastical deputies, represented by Mr. Bergman as agent for the Swedish Government, more successful. "Yes;" exclaimed the speaker with a stentorian voice, wyer, there are persecutions in Sweden; but it is the recders of the Bible, who, by their calumnies, persecute the clergy.?

Auxious to put an end to the conflict in which the Swedish ministers had involved themselves, and which was now assuming a serious appearance, Mr. Fied. Monod broke out into an invective against the incessant persocutions which had been taking place in Sweden. At first he was listened to with indifference; but when, warming as he proceeded, the orator should out, "Shame on the persecutions of Rome, but shame three times over on Protestant persecutions," his words were received with a burst of applanse from all parts of the rest assembly. The plandits were equally vehement when the orator declared that the Roman Church, by indulging in persecution, was only acting consistently with herself.

It should here be observed, that the vociferatious of this Synca, in honor of religious liberty, went no further than to claim exemption from persecution for the seceders from the Established Church. The assembly had not one word to say against these hardships to which Catholics are unduly subjected in Protestant countries!

After several speakers had uttered their sentiments on religious toleration, as understood by them, a collection was made on behoof of those who, in Sweden, had been condemned to pay a fine or cast into prison. By way of conclusion, one of the Protestant ministers, in Paris, thanked the Swedes in his own name, and that of his flock, for the very considerable pecuniary assistance which they had received from their Scandinavian brethren through the Swedish Plenipoten-Aftenblud by its Parisian correspondent, and was made in agreeable impression on the meeting, and a published in Stockholm on the 24th of September last committee, including Messis, Monod, Krummacher, of the veracity of the statements it contains, there can and our own Sir Culling Eardly, having been appeared to wait on King Oscar, and beseeth him to on the 25th of August the Synod devoted its attendant to the "religious affairs" of Sweden. After an thank, no doubt, the Swedish Lutherans for their period bespoke the mercies of God towards Swedish Contains gifts to their French brethren forfits at the personner. tially at Paris, Count Lovenheilm. This, it is said, more valuable as they enable the latter to purchase a few proselyles among the French Catholice), the vein peace, and that the victims of persecution may obnerable assembly proceeded to consider the religious
sain grace from on high to suffer patiently and to percondition of Denmark. The correspondent of the
severe," the chairman of the Swedish division of the Aftonblad declares that he could stand it no longer, Evangelical Alliance, Mr. Berger, a soldier and a and be withdrew in disgust. Such was the famous Synod, composed of ministers, elders, and lay-depusatory account of the state of religious matters in his ties from every part of Protestantdom. It has resultcountry. He began by thanking his co-religionists ed in showing the inherent weakness, the incurable in France for the sympathy they displayed towards disunion, and the present helpless condition of Pro-Sweden, &c., &c. He then told them how the Chris- lestantism as a religious system. Very lew, besides ison agitation originated, introduced, as it was, by a the ministers themselves, took any interest in its pro-

IRISH INTELLIGENCE.

To be succeed throughput A William Nicholl, Esq., was received into the Ca-

of the business in which they were about to be engaged that they simultaneously returned home, thereby preventing for a time the execution of the decrees. It is said that many of the tenantry were armed and determined to resist the police. The riot act was read by Mr. Ffrench, but no disturbance took place. The police have all returned."

at the Propaganda and the political policy of Dr. Cullen, have already attracted so much attention, has, in a letter which we quote in extenso this week repeated a calumny against the Professors of Maynoofin which we lately, in the most positive terms, and on the most undoubted authority, contradicted. The following is the particular passage of the letter to which we refer :-

" We are told that the Maynooth Report, presented las! winter by Doctor Cullen to the Popaganda, contained certain matters regarded as offensive, and the Propaganda was induced to exact an apology from the professor who had failed in respect. The views and observations to which exception was thus taken, had it is alleged, been quite as clearly and as forcibly expressed by two more professors in the same Reports; and further, that the Irish bishops were so struck by this matter that in executing the wishes of the Holy See they did not overlook any of the three gentlemen; and that the person selected for censure had the additional disadvantage of being, for other reasons, personally obnoxious."

This repeated insinuation, utterly unfounded, against" other Professors," coming in various shapes from Paris, Dublin, Limetick, suggests to our mind that the rumour has some deep design, and adds we must admit, to the curiosity which we share with many Catholics, cleric and lay, as to the source of these extraordinary, and we believe, in every other respect, well-informed documents. On this particular point, however, the correspondence is grossly and interly, wrong. There is not an atom of foundation of the Protestant societies which were in such haste been in any way whatever censured by the Holy See. to wait on his Satdinian Majesty on his arrival in England — I We want some person who knows all Not a particle, not a point, not an iota, of the doctrine contained in the evidence of any Professor, but one, has been condemned, or impugned, or examined or association which styles itself 'The Young Men's referred to in any possible way under the authority of Christian Association of London.' We thought we the Holy See, though the whole evidence was, we have reason to know, carefully sifted at the Propaganda. The whole story, with the exception of the of Commons, the Clergy, the bar, the Corporation of one case expressly referred to by name, is an infa- London, the universities, the Trinity House, and a mous and scandalous libel-without a shadow of support in the facts which have occurred. Quite true it is, doubtless, that a few high ecclesiastics, in Ireland do dissont from and strongly dislike the views expressed in the evidence of several of the Professors-not on points of defined doctrine, however; but upon the administration of the College, upon ecclesiastical discipline, upon free and open questions, upon any thing and everything save and except the orthodox teaching for which the Professors of Maynooth are distinguished as highly as any theologians in the world. But that is no reason why a charge striking at the character of pious, and learned, and accom-plished men, and of a most distinguished school of divinity, should be lightly made. As to the objections themselves, we dure say they are estimated at their proper value. - Notion.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Mr. Cleaver, Piccadilly, Mr. Bennett's publisher, has just put forth a Cleaver's Circular, in the first pages of which the vestments and ceremonies, and the minutest rubrical directions of the Roman Missal and Breviary are (us far as possible) enforced. Thus One might almost have supposed that the cluty of rethe Protestant Clergy are instructed to vest themselves moving such intruders from the King of Sardinia's in alba, and stoles, and even chasubles, and to stand at the altar, and perform their " solemn service" (the Puseyite phrase for High Mass, though even the latter is sometimes used) just like a Priest at a real altar, when offering a real Sacrifice. Deacons and Sub-Deacons are likewise instructed as to their duties, and their tespective positions at the communion-table; and even the "Bishops" themselves may here obtain full information on all necessary points, and in particular, as to the manner of holding the pastoral slaffnecessary matter of instruction, if they have really been introduced at Lambelli or Londonhouse. It is the popular belief, however, that the pastoral staff of an Anglican Bishop is as much an imagination as the mitre of his carriage door, the only boads which are thus adorned being those of the Bishop's horses.

VICTOR EMANUEL IN ENGLAND. - The King of Sardigia arrived in England on Friday week, and re-The first response of the state turned to France on Thursday, after a week's feling. Lead from many swell-informed spersons, that the Countries of the A force of constability manufaction is a seven of clock this morning inder the command of and which, after the Lapse of three centuries, had been found faithful to the principles of the Reformation was not in specific without first and of Messrs. Cummins and Sweeny, sub-inspection was not in specific without principles of the Reformation was not in specific without principles of the Reformation was not in specific without principles of the Reformation was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, was not in specific without principles of the Reformation and Sweeny, sub-inspection, and the Reformation that the Reformation that the Reformation that the Reformation the Reformation that the Reformation the Reformation that the Reformation the Reformation that the Reformation the Reformation that the Reformatio

possibilities are not to be expected from those who seldom do the possible. Accordingly they give tolerably correct portraits of the moustache, much on the principle that they would give a photograph of the Atlantic Ocean. But as for any other resemblance, his Majesty's late respected mother couldn't form the most distant notion of the individuality of the personage offered as her son, at fivepence and twopence respectively this morning, to the highly-enlightened and discriminating family of golomouche Bull. The King, who looks old enough to be his own father, and who was attited in a white-laced uniform, was pretty well cheered yesterday, but took it exceedingly cool, as did also his silvered suite, who regarded the concregated cocknies, especially in the neighborhood of Westminster bridge, with very contemptions eyes indeed. The said very numerons suite, despite their picturesque Argentine attire, are anything but prepossessing, at least physiognomically speaking, many of them being as old, or at any rate as old-looking, as if they were fit to be made British field marshals. Our young Field-Marshal, Albert, did tremendous duty resterday, and ought to have extra allowance next quartenlay in consequence. His hat, cocked of course, went through wear and tear enough to have shocked the professional sense of Mr. Wilson, of the Treasury, and as for bowing, why if his Royal Highness were chairman of the Gutta Percha Company, and wanted to advertise that elastic commodity as applicable for back-bones, he couldn't have been more gymnastically condescending. Every second he was uncovered; every minute his chin propped down upon his breast in acknowledgment of the ovation, which he took all to himself, or for self and regal friend, the latter apparently caring very little about it, and probably heartily wishing it all over. So he must have done, if half so sensible as they say he is; for he is the only one of al! that have gone to war who has any reasonable prospect of getting anything by it when over, provided he isn't swallowed up in the mean-

England:-"We want some person who knows all about 'societies' to tell us what are the objects of an knew some little about the most influential bodies in England. There is the House of Lords, the House London, the universities, the Trinity House, and a dozen others; but the 'Young Men's Christian Association of London' is, we confess, a body not so known to public reputation that its distinctions have reached our ears. There must, however, be something in it, because we observe that this body was not only all but the first to welcome the King of Sardinia to Windsor Castle, but the very first to read him a lecture upon his religious and political duties. Why, it was only the other evening that this same hopeful brotherhood assembled to hear a little good advice from Lord John Russell, grafted upon a lecture on religious toleration. It is true that his lordship said nothing about modesty or good manners, presuming, no doubt, that so pious a body was as much distinguished for these humbler qualities as for the higher virtues of its profession; but he could scargely have anticipated such early fruits from the seed sown a fortnight ago at Exeter Hall. It certainly appears to us as though greater respect might have been shown to the right royal guest of England and of England's Queen than to admit such a body to his presence at the moment of his arrival. What is the use of the Home Secretary? What of a Lord Chamberlain? What of the various sticks-in-waiting? presence might have devolved upon far humbler functionaries. It is really enough to make an Englishman blush when he reads the pert paragraphs of nonsense which the deputation from this society inflicted upon our toyal guest, many portions of which would have been well calculated to compromise him with his own subjects but for the graceful and sensible manner in which he replied to them. We wonder if the King of Sardinia, amid his graver pre-occupations, ever reads the strange stories of our American cousins and of their doings. In one of the northern states the pious young women established an association, which they styled 'The Young Women's Anti-young men-waiting-at-the-church-doors-with-ulterior-objects Society. The deputation which im-posed upon the King of Sardinia's good nature the other day at Windsor represented an association of the same kind."

We are far from thinking that all private bankers are like Strahau, Paul, and Bates, and all merchants like Gordon and Davidson, but still the number of fraudulent bankrupicies, which are of well-nigh weekly occurrence, proves that the subject requires review. At least let the criminal portion of the bankrupt law be entirely purged from chicane. We may soon enter on a fresh era of speculation. Within a twelve-month after the conclusion of a peace we shall require all the security the law can give us against fraudolent bankrupts — Zimes.

A TEST FOR ADULTERATION OF FOOD .- Dr. Normandy having been beset of late with letters requesting him to analyse accompanying articles of food, hit upon the following plan:—"To all those who have favored me with samples for analysis, and had requested me to send a report, I wrote that I had resolved not to grant certificates for publication, however genuite that a send a resolved not to grant certificates for publication, however genuite and a send a resolved not to grant certificates for publication, however genuite and a send a resolved not to grant certificates for publication, however genuite and a send a resolved not send nuine the article supplied might be, unless the person in whose behalf such a certificate was written undertook to pay filty guineas to a charitable institution, should the article so reported upon be at any time offered for sale in an adulterated state at his estab-lishment. I am sorry now to add that, of all my correspondents who so boasted of selling or manufacturing nothing) but genuine goods, only two have accepted the stipulations.

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TO OUR SUBSCRIBERS.

We cheerfully avail ourselves of the privilege, by time-honored custom sanctioned, of saluting the friends and readers of the TRUE WITNESS with the compliments of the season; heartily wishing them a merry New Year, and many of them. We also arail ourselves of this opportunity to say a word or ed scheme to convict the Church of hostility towards two about ourselves.

It was our intention to have presented our readers on Friday the 14th of next month, with a new and enlarged series of the TRUE WITNESS. This intention, we have been induced to postpone until the middle of August next, for the following reasons.

In August, the current volume, the 6th of the present series, will be completed; and it has been represented to us by many, who are in the habit of preserving, and of having bound their fyles of the TRUE WITNESS, that it would be more convenient to commence the new series with a new volume. To this reason we may add another.

The expenses of enlarging our paper must of course be heavy; and to enable us to meet them, two things are requisite. First, punctuality on the part of our subscribers in paying up their arrears; secondly, an increase to our subscription list. Now, though we have to return our best thanks to our many active ., friends in various parts of the country, for their exertions, both to collect sums due to us, and to furnish us with additional subscribers, we must add that there are still many, very many, of our readers, who are yet in debt, and from whom we should be glad to hear. The times are, no doubt, hard; money is scarce, and everything at famine prices. Still we would represent to our friends in arrears, that the sums due are separately but small; though collectively, of great importance to us at the present moment. Without, therefore, any intention of being over exacting, or of pressing too hard upon those, who, we have no doubt, need only to be reminded of the circumstance, we take this opportunity of intreating of all who are in arrears, or who have failed to comply with the terms of our prospectus, to remit to us, as soon as possible, the amount of their subscriptions due. We would also beg of any of our

in good part, and that they may at once resolve to dent in the goodness of his client's cause, and the set themselves right with the printer, and thereby make his New Year a merry one, we, for our part, engage to do our best to make the TRUE WITNESS worthy of their continued patronage and approbation, as a thoroughly Catholic paper. For the support and encouragement it has already received, we again beg leave to return our best thanks; and particularly to the Clergy who have so kindly endeavored to extend its circulation in their respective districts.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Rumors of peace are still rife, but are as little believed as ever. The fall of Kars, which is now confirmed, will certainly not have the effect of inducing the Czar to lower his tone, or to accept, in 1856, terms which in 1855 he rejected with disdain. In the Crimea, everything seems at a stand still. The winter has fairly set in; the roads are quagmires, and the Allied armies, though well supplied with provisions, are unable to move a single step. Meantime, the Russians keep up a warm fire from the North side, and receive daily large convoys of all kinds .-An attack made by them on the French, has been repulsed with slight loss.

The President's Message to Congress is an important document, and enters largely into the difficulties betwixt the British and American Governments. The tone of the Message, if not positively warlike, is at all events not such as to give assurance that hostilities betwixt the two countries are impossible; especially at the present moment, when Great Britain is fully occupied with the war raging in the East.—
"This international difficulty"—says the President— "This international difficulty"—says the President—
"cannot long remain undetermined, without involving in serious danger the friendly relations, which it is the interest as well as the duty of both countries—to cherish and preserve." Upon the whole, we are inclined to think that the temple of Janus will not be

closed this year.

THE SWADDLERS DISCOMFITED:

Never, since the memorable thirtieth of June, 1688, when the celebrated verdict in the case of the Government Bishops told the unfortunate James the Second of England, that his efforts to extend the benefits of civil and religious liberty to his Catholic subjects were in vain, whilst the triumphant bellowings of the rabble, in the words of Macaulay, " made the old oaken roof Westminster Hall crack," has a British Court of Justice seen such a sight as that which was displayed in Dublin on the 17th of last month; when a Jury, returning into Court, recorded a verdict of "Nor Guilty," in favor of Father Petcherine, falsely accused by Orange hypocrites of having caused the Holy Scriptures to be publicly burnt, with the blasphemous intent of bringing the Christian religion into disrepute. Never, since the day when the chosen champion of Evangelical Protestantism—the true "No-Popery Representative Man,"-Titus Oates, was whipt at the cart's tail, as a convicted liar and slanderer, has Protestantism received a heavier blow than that which has been dealt to it by the trial of the Redemptorist Fathers, for Bible Burning at Kingstown. In spite of all the influence of an unscrupulous Government, most unscrupulously exercised-in spite of the servility of hireling officials, Castle hacks, and a mendacious pressin spite of Jury-packing, perjury, hard swearing in. the witness box, and unblushing partisanship on the Bench-truth has prevailed; and the originators and propagators of slanders against the zealous Redemptorists, and calumnies against the Catholic Church, have been compelled to swallow their dirty falsehoods; and to witness the failure of their cunningly concertthe Blessed Word of God.

Not in Ireland only, not only amongst Irish Catholics and their descendants, will this triumph-for it is a triumph, and considering the character of the foes over whom it has been won, and the weapons which they employed, no small triumph-be hailed with delight, but in every part of Christendom; wherever the Church has a loving son, wherever the bated and despised. It was not Father Petcherine alone that was on his trial; nor yet the Redemptorist Fathers. It was the Catholic Church herself—the immaculate spouse of Christ-the guardian and the interpreter of Holy Writ-but for whom, and for whose Religious Orders in the Middle Ages, there would be now no Bible to burn, to mutilate, to falsify, and to circulate, thus mutilated and falsified, amongst the simple and unlettered, as the pure Word of God-that was arraigned before the bar of public opinion; charged with having irreverently endeavored to destroy and desecrate that which she most venerates; that which, from the beginning, it has been her one incessant object to preserve, to promulgate, and to cause to be revered amongst all the nations of the earth. In the person of one of her humble ministers, the Church was called upon to plead in a Protestant Court of Justice, to the charge of hating the Scriptures, and trying to destroy them. To this charge, scorning every attempt at concealment, and with calm, yet haughty defiance of the malice of her adversaries, she pleaded "Not Guilty." The verdict of the Jury has fully ratified that plea.

We regret that the late hour at which we received our English fyles, has rendered it impossible for us to do more, in our present issue, than to give the result of this celebrated trial to our readers; but we rward, and upon which they mainly relied. This weakness of that of his opponents, allowed the case to go before the Jury, composed of about equal numbers of Protestants and Catholics, and of which the Foreman was a member of the Government church. The Jury retired for about three-quarters of an hour, and returned into Court with a unani-mous verdict of "Not Guilty." The scene which then ensued is thus described by a Protestant paper, the Daily Express:-

"A momentary pause, as if by common consent, followed the declaration of the verdict; and then a cheer, deafening and prolonged, rang through the Court, unchecked by the looks of the judges, the gestures of the law officers, or the strenuous exertions of the constables. Not alone did the men—most of them of the respectable classes—who filled the college darker the Not alone did the men—most of them of the respectable classes—who filled the gallery darken the air with their hats, sticks, and umbrellas, amid the exciting uproar; but many of the ladies, who were in an intermediate gallery, rose upon the benches, shouted most vociferously, waved their handkerchiefs around them, and, in some instances, dancing with exultation upon the seats, took off their shawls, and floated them to and fro in the air. A more extraordinary scene was never witnessed in a court of justice. Amid the tumult, groans for the Attorney-General, the Solicitor-General, the Rev. Mr. Wallace, and others who were supposed to take an interest in the prosecution, were freely shouted for and as freely responded to, even amid freely shouted for and as freely responded to, even amid the dreadful confusion; whilst cheers for the traverser, Mr. O'Hagan, and the jury prolonged and increased the excitement.

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"Hopeless of restoring order, the judges rose. The Court, during a comparative lull of the wild tempest, was adjourned until Monday, and then the cheers and groans were renewed as warmly as at first. The crowd outside the court caught the sound, and echoed it again and again, well knowing what it proclaimed. Those who were around the Rev. Mr. Petcherine shook him by the hand in silent congratulation, and ladies left their places to gather around. congratulation, and Indies left their places to gather around and touch the hero of the hour.

Outside the scene was of a nearly similar character,

by numerous Clergymen, and by his solicitor, came out,

which had been surging to and fro in Little Britain street, comprehended the movement, and rushed round to Capelstreet in time to greet his appearance with tumultuous cheers and waving of hats. With difficulty the Reverend gentleman made his way through the crowd that thronged even to touch him as he passed, and at last got into a covered car, which drove away, followed by a frantic crowd that saying the temped to have lost all responsed only for the time that seemed to have lost all reason, and jonly for the time remembered that they had gained a triumph. The car, till its arrival at Westland-row, continued to be surrounded by the crowd, and the enthusiasm seemed, if possible to in-

crease when Father Petcherine appeared on the platform: "Not satisfied with the demonstrations of exultation already made, such of the crowd as could afford the fare to Kingstown hastened to procure tickets, and, in consequence, the four o'clock train, by which the Reverend gentleman returned to Kingstown, was crowded to excess. As the train proceeded hats and handkerchiefs were waved from the windows of the carriages, and the abouts of their occupants conveyed the anxiously-looked for intelligence along the line. At Salt-hill Father Petcherine left the train almost unnoticed, but the people, becoming aware of that fact at Kingstown, rushed madly down the road towards Salt-hill, their number increasing tenfold as they went. The cab in which the Rev. gentleman was driving was quickly stopped, surrounded, and ultimately literally dragged to his lodgings in Kingstown. Here the scene was similar in character to that which had been enacted in and outside the court; the women screamed and waved their handkerchiefs, the men shouted and threw up their hats in the air—all, old and young, seemed to have lost the use of their reason under the influence of their wild excitement.

"During the afternoon the streets continued much crowded, and later in the evening the houses of almost every Roman Catholic from Dunleary to Dalkey were illu-

"The accounts given in all the morning and evening papers are nearly similar to the above, and all of them fall short of the reality of what occurred.

"In the evening several houses in Mary's-abhey, Churchstreet, and the immediate locality were illuminated in honor of Father Petcherine's acquittal, and although the vast crowds which promenaded the streets were much ex-cited, not one act of riot or disorder occurred."

That' the jury could not do otherwise than acquit the accused, will be admitted by every impartial person, who will take the trouble to study the evidence adduced on behalf of the Crown. One specimen or two will we give, which must suffice for the present. One of the witnesses for the prosecution being askedhow he knew that a certain book which he swore he persecuting Government of Protestant England is saw in the fire, was a New or Old Testament?-after much shuffling made answer, that he swore it was the New Testament because "it was newly bound." (Much laughter in Court.) Another, a Swaddler rejoicing in the name of the Reverend Robert Wallace, having sworn that he saw about a dozen boys kicking what he confidently believed to be small pocket Bibles into the fire, was asked why he-professing to be a Minister of the Gospel-made no effort to prevent these, about a dozen, boys offering such gross insult to what he confidently believed to be the Word of God; but stood there quietly looking on, for about ten minutes? He made answer, that " he did not think it right to interfere." The same witness had also before the trial, preached and printed a furious sermon, in which he directly accused the Redemptorists of having sanctioned this outrage. Being asked by Sir C. O'Loghlen, "if he thoughtit fair, pending the trial, to preach and write letters pre-judging the cause"? this honorable and reverend follower of Titus Oates replied, "he did not think his statements were calculated to prejudice the case of the party charged"! We may add that, passages from the Reverend gentleman's sermon having been read by Father Petcherine's learned Counsel, they excited loud and general expressions of disapprobation in Court. ...

The Protestant press generally, and the London promise them, in our next, a full and particular account thereof; together with O'Hagan's brilliant and forcible speech in defence of the accused. For the present, suffice it to say, that, on the part of the faint idea of the state to which, they—like the inhadefence, not one witness was examined; the Court bitants of the other place mentioned in the Scriptures, friends who do not receive their paper regularly, to having refused, upon a legal quibble, to listen to the but never alluded to in refined circles—are reduced. inform this office of the fact without delay; in order evidence which Father Petcherine's counsel brought. The Times recommends nothing less than the interthat the arror may be immediately rectified.

This ference of Government with the obnoxious preachers; Hoping that our friends will take these suggestions evidence having been refused, Mr. O'Hagan, confi. and their imprisonment under the provisions of the singular dilemma; and its members must now decide Alien Act, upon the plea that they are "cussed furinners." To be sure, if Protestant Missionaries on the fishes of their Church-or to abandon their preter-Continent of Europe, endeavor to stir up frebellion sions to the name of Catholic, upon which hitherto against the government of Catholic States-and if they have professed to set so much store. Either thereupon a Grand Duke of Tuscany, or other Romish they must renounce their " Anglican Church" theory Potentate, orders them to quit his dominions-Exeter Hall rings nightly with denunciations of "Popish tyranny—Man of Sin—beast that exalteth himself"— &c., &c., &c.; whilst on the other hand, such a line testantism—and come out from a community, which of conduct as is recommended by the Times, is highly becoming in an enlightened, liberal, civil and reli- evidently cannot, in any sense, constitute any part of gious liberty loving, and intensely Protestant coun-the Catholic Church. One of these two courses, all try, like Great Britain:-

"At all events, the Government of the country will no more allow these vagrant firebrands to kindle dissension and riot, than it has permitted foreign democrats to propagate. their creed by blasphemy and calls to assassination. We have lately seen a knot of French refugees broken up for misbehaviour; there can be no reason why the same treatment should not be used in the case of other foreigners, who are making the names of Christian and missionary a cloak for conduct almost as reprehensible. This Father Petcherine, as a Russian subject, may be sent out of the country or detained in confinement; his companions are most of them subject to the law regarding aliens; we trust, therefore, that the Government will not hesitate to use its powers, should the behaviour of these men make it necessary."—Times.

However, thank God, spite of the indignant bellowings of the Protestant press, Father Petcherine is out of the liands of his persecutors, and the Swaddlers are utterly discomfited. There is no sweetness exquisite translations from the Roman Missal and in them; nay, rather they are a stench and an abomination in the nostrils of all honest men.

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been a numerous body within the pale of the Estab- spirit of the age. At present, as every one knows, they could, the ceremonies, liturgical forms, and wor- the most part, been borrowed from the Catholic and crossing Green-street, were permitted to go through ship of the Catholic Church of These amiable, but Church; the other neing essentially calving the police court-yard into Capel-street, but the crowd, very inconsistent persons seem to have labored un-handy work of the founders of the Protestant

der the singular delusion that it was possible to be Catholics outside of the Church. They-contrary to the Rubrics, and in defiance of Acts of Parliament put up immoveable and stone altars in their meeting houses; placed candlesticks and crosses upon their altars; made profound genufiections to nothing; and intoned their services in what was intended to be "Gregorian Chaunt.?" The young ladies of this party, were profound in the mysteries of symbolism and ecclesiastical archæology; whilst their dresses varied with the seasons of the year. During Adventant Lent, they worshipped becomingly in purple scarfs; and at Easter, and on Festivals of Our Lord and His Blessed Mother, they made a good confession in white satin. All this was very pretty no doubt and very consoling to these spiritual dilettanti; sp that one feels almost inclined to regret that such a very harmless amusement for grown up children should not have been allowed to continue. But alas! so it is; the stern inexorable fiat has gone forth; the Courts have spoken, and playing Catholics is at more to be permitted within the Protestant churches By Law Established. Stone altars are to be removed; rood screens are to be pulled down; lighted candles, and colored altar cloths are pronounced to be unclean things; and the children of Pusey at left to mourn over a desecrated sanctuary,

St. Barnabas of Pimlico-pleasantly called by that eminent evangelical confessor Sir J. Paul, St. Barabbas—and St. Paul's of Knightsbridge, hant long been the favorite places of Sunday resort for the Pusevites of the Metropolis; and, of course, it abomination to the more anti-popishly devout menbers of the Low Church party. Legal proceedings were consequently instituted by the latter against the obnoxious churchwardens of the other, or High Church party; which, after many a weary hearing, have been finally brought to a close by a judgment pronounced in the Consistory Court, by Dr. Lustington-condemning as Popish, the practices of the Puseyites; and declaring them to be illegal, contrary to the spirit of the Blessed Reformation, opposed to the essentially Protestant character of the Church of England as by Acts of Parliament Established and altogether out of place in a Protestant meeting house. In consequence it is ordained that Altars he abolished; that the stone tables which the Puseviter have set up, be broken-even as were the golden calves which Jeroboam the son of Nebat set up in Bethel and in Dan, and thereby made Israel tosis; that the abomination of the Anglo-Catholics be removed, and the anti-Protest ant image of the Cross be destroyed; that henceforth, in lieu of an altar, the: shall be a plain communion table, undefiled by orecments, or such rags of Popery as many colored coverings; but that candlesticks and candles, if unlighted, may remain. Thus has Lushington, the British Joseph spoken, and it has been done according to his word.

Though dealing only with externals, this decision of the English Courts of Law is of immense dogmatic importance, and seriously affects the whol structure of Anglican worship. It is an official declaration from the highest source, that the Church " as by Law Established" recognises no such things as altars; consequently -no sacrifice, and therefore -no priest. This to be sure was never for a mement doubted by Cat holics, or indeed by any on: who had studied the origin and history of the Acglican establishment. Nevertheless there have always. since the days of Laud, existed a small party, within the Establishment, anxious to combine, if possible, its emoluments, with the glorious privileges of the Catholic Church; forgetting, or rather endeavoring to persuade themselves to forget, that their church was, not Catholic, but Protestant, and nothing but Protestant. This party, which includes within its ranks all who are distinguished for their piety and their erudition amongst the members of the Estabshment, will find itself placed, by this decision, in to resign, either their emoluments—the loaves and -opposed as it is to reason, to revelation, to history, and the decision of the legal tribunals; or the must forsake their Anglicanism—that is, their Prohaving no altar, and therefore no priest or sacrifice, must follow; and whilst, no doubt, the great majority,-i.e.-all the timid, the mercenary and time servers-of our Anglo Catholic friends will at once subside into good easy latitudinarian evangelicals, the honest, disinterested and consistent amongst then will find themselves forced, as it were, into the arm of the real Catholic Church; whose arms, like these of a tender mother, are ever open to embrace her repentant children. God grant that it may be so.

Other trials are in store for our separated brethren, which we trust may have the effect of hastening their decision, by convincing them of the absurdity of their present position. Their Liturgy, it seems, is in danger; that Liturgy which they so much admire, of which they are so proud; and which, it must be almitted, contains, though sadly mutilated, some most Breviary, and whose exceeding beauty has perhaps more than aught else contributed to attach the sincere Anglican to the Law Establishment. This Liturgy is to be revised, in order that it may be more thoroughly Protestantised, or brought in harmony Our readers must be aware that there has long with the Thirty-Nine Articles, and the Protestant lished Church in England, whose have members amused betwirt the Liturgy and the Articles, there exists 28 themselves by playing at Popery; aping ias best irreconcileable discrepancy—the former having, for

with the Liturgy. Hence the existence of two parties in the Church; one of which, deriving its doctrines from the ancient Liturgy, finds therein Baptismal Regeneration, Sacerdotal Absolution, and a Real Presence in the Eucharist; whilst the other, taking its stand upon the modern Articles, rejects these as essentially Popish, and anti-Protestant. Hence is it that—in the words of the Canadian Monarchist, a journal which boasts that every one connected with it "is a member of the Church of England":-

"You have only to visit a dozen churches of the Esta-blishment, in this, the reign of Queen Victoria, to satisfy yourself that there is as much diversity of opinion on doc-irinal points, and difference in ritual observances, as if the Clergy belonged to hostile creeds."—Dec. 22nd.

To remedy this, it is now proposed that the Liturgy be revised; that all that savors of ancient Catholicity be expunged; and that it be brought into harmony with the Articles which are modern and undeniably Protestant. There is, to this effect, a formal motion on the journals of the House of Commons; which will be discussed, and in all probability carried, during the course of the present year. This. coupled with Josiah Lushington's decision against Altars, &c., &c., must be sufficient to convince every one possessed of average intelligence, that Catholicity and Anglicanism are not only different, but contradictories.

For several reasons we forbear at present from any allusions to the domestic struggles of our Anglican friends in Canada; or to the pitiable spectacle presented by one calling himself a Bishop, and yet, poor creature, allowing himself to be controlled, and dictated to by the lay pew holders of his church! At this we could merely laugh, were it not that our deep pity is excited at beholding so many good and amiable men, making such ridiculous figures of themselves, and still laboring under the singular delusion that they bear rule in, and are overseers of, the Church of Christ.

OUR FIRE DEPARTMENT.

On Thursday evening of last week, about ten o'clock, a fire broke out in a building situated on the property of the Sisters of the Congregation in Notre Dame Street. Upon the arrival of the fire engines, it was found that, from some hitherto unexplained cause, they were perfectly useless-being unable to work, although there was water in abundance. Fortunatelylhowever, the flames were ultimately subdued. after having inflicted some considerable damage upon

the property of the Nuns.

The question naturally arises-How came it to pass that the fire engines were unable to work? It is said, and very generally believed, that this proceeded from motives of sectarian bigotry; and from the unwillingness of several of the Fire Companies-which it is also said are composed almost exclusively of Orangemen-to assist in saving the property of Popish Nuns. As yet however, this is a mere rumor, unsupported by positive evidence, and which, we trust, may turn out to be false. The prevalent opinion however is, that, as fast as the hose were laid down, they were deliberately cut, with the intent of affording to the men at the engines an excuse for their inactivity, and of frustrating the efforts of those who were anxious to rescue a Romish Convent from the flames. We have it from a gentleman who was on the spot, that, his suspicions having been excited, both by what he saw and heard upon the evening in question, he requested the Mayor-who, as usual, was active in his efforts to protect the property of all classes of our communityto order the hose of the different Fire Companies to be carried to the Station House, in order that they might be examined, with the view of ascertaining whether they had been cut as reported. We regret that this reasonable advice was not complied with; though, we have been informed, the Mayor was himself heard to state his suspicions that the hose had been purposely cut.

We presume to offer no opinion of our own upon the subject. It is one which deeply interests all our Catholic citizens, and which loudly calls for a PUBnic investigation; without which it is impossible that the suspicions now excited, can be allayed, or confidence in the honesty and efficiency of our Montreal Fire Department, be restored. It may be that the hose were not intentionally cut after all; but that they all accidentally burst as fast as they were laid down. But even upon this, the more charitable hypothesis, an immediate investigation is imperatively called for; in order that the public may know, whose fault it is that the materiel of our Fire Companies is in such a state of disgraceful inefficiency.-Of two things, one-Either the hose were purposely cut-or they were in a most shameful state of repair, disgraceful to the parties in charge of them. If we accept the first hypothesis, all men of whatever denomination, are bound to express their detestation of such an act. If we adopt the second, we must acknowledge that our Fire Department is in a state of scandalous inefficiency; that the condition of its gear is a subject of just reproach, and an evidence of most lubberly and slovenly mismanagement and neglect, somewhere. The sooner these points are satisfactorily cleared up, the better.

In the meantime, pending the public investigation, which we trust will be ordered by the proper authorities, we abstain from prejudging the cause, or expressing any opinion of our own—further than this— That we can scarcely believe that the hose were purposely cut; and that we are certain that there is scarce a Protestant in Montreal, no matter how hostile to Popery, no matter how prejudiced against our

it is this. Seeing how inefficient is our present Fire | the moral order; in which sense indeed, we admit it | the poor Irish immigrants who were taken ill of ship fever,

Church of England—and therefore irreconcileable Department to protect the valuable property of our to be the necessary fruit, and therefore the sign, of that ever-memorable year, when so many of our countryUniversity the existence of two par- Catholic religious communities when menaced by "true religion." For otherwise—if civilisation con- men were carried off by that dread pestilence, and when Catholic religious communities when menaced by "true religion." For otherwise—if civilisation confire—seeing that our Fire Companies, as at present sists, as the Montreal Witness contends, "in seconstituted, are unable or unwilling to do their duty, and cular education, trade, wealth, agriculture, self-reto keep their gear in proper working order—would it
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not be wise for the Irish Catholics to take the matStates of antiquity—Egypt, Tyre, Greece and ter into their own hands; and to see if they cannot Rome-were at least the equals of any modern naget up a Fire Company of their own, which shall be tions in these respects-if not immeasurably their able to work when wanted.

> THE ST. SYLVESTER AFFAIR. - We learn from the Quebec papers that an investigation has been instituted into the circumstances connected with the alleged attempt to upset the railway train with the soldiers. Two men, Ramsay and Black, are in prison; but John Kelly, charged with being the prime agent in the business, has been admitted to bail.

> We regret to see, on the part of some of our cotemporaries, an attempt to prejudice the case of the accused, by assuming their guilt as incontestible. This is grossly unfair; as, until found guilty, we are bound to assume their innocence. Let them have a fair trial; and if convicted let them be made an example of. But in the sacred name of justice, why condemn them before having heard what they have to say in their own behalf?

> A writer in the Quebec Colonist, who professes to be well acquainted with the particulars, declares that the charge of a deliberate design to upset the train, is false from beginning to end; and gives the folfowing explanation:-

"The facts are these: The Section Master, whose duty it is to keep the track clear of snow, gave the switch-key to his man, Ramsay, to examine the switch and take the snow from it, which he was doing at the time the cars started from the station. Seeing the cars coming on, and knowing he would be killed had he remained, he ran off, leaving the pin out. It is also falsely asserted in the 'Chronicle' that he did it by order of his 'boss,' Kelly. His 'boss' is Kenneth McDonald, and it was he, and not Kelly, who gave Ramsay the key and the order. He was arrested with the rest and brought to Point Levi, but strange to say, was admitted to bail there. Had he been Irish, and of another creed, he would scarcely have escaped. At the time the cars left the station, Kelly was in company with McDonald, at the other switch, about four acres distant, and was there when the cars went off the track. He took his lamp in hand, and was running towards the place where the cars had run off, when he was arrested by the police. They took another poor man named Black, who was passing at the time. No doubt, the police wished to do something for their pay, and by 'hook or by crook' they were determined to have somebody, if they could not get those they were sent in search of."

The Temperance Advocate of the 1st inst., asks of us to "reconsider" our statements that the "license system does not afford facilities to sell liquor" and that liquor would still be sold if the license laws were repealed to morrow.

We have "reconsidered the matter," and remain of the same opinion still, and for this reason-Because liquor was sold, before ever the license laws were heard of, and therefore would still be sold after their repeal. These laws are an artificial restraint upon the sale of liquor; imposed for financial purposes, and apparently not older than the reign of Charles the 1st.; before whose time, ale, wine, and other liquors, were commonly sold and consumed as beverages in Merrie England. Such being the case, we see not how it can be said that the licence system affords facilities for the sale of liquor, or that the system is to be held responsible for the traffic. In a financial point of view, the system may be unsound, from the inducements which it holds out to an infraction of the Excise Laws, and thereby to frauds upon the Revenue. But this is a question for the political economist, with whom we have nothing to do.

Our cotemporary also informs us that, his "private our "private judgment," which is at least as good as that of any Protestant, or of all Protestants gether, leads us to the conclusion, that the Temperance Advocate is in error; and as we never have yielded, and never intend to yield, our " private judgment" to any number of Protestants, there the matter must rest. In conclusion, we take this opportunity of congratulating our cotemporary on the very respectable appearance he cuts in his new dress; and recommend him to complete the reformation by taking up and advocating sounder opinions; more consistent with the spirit of Christianity, and the teachings of political economy.

The Montreal Witness meets us with the text from St. Paul's Epistle to Timothy-that "godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come" -in support of his position, that material prosperity is inseparable from, and a sign of, true religion; forgetting that, in his own version, and only a few lines further on, he, had he looked, might have seen the words-" having food and raiment, let us therewith be content. But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and into many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction, and perdition. For the love of money is the root of all evil."-1 Tim. vi., 8, 9, 10.

However, we have no intention to prolong a controversy with our opponent as to the signs of true religion. We-leave him to the enjoyment of the material comforts of this life; hoping that at the hour of death, he may find therein a comfort, and a strong assurance of having found favor with God. One

observation only will we make. "Civilisation"—he says—" consists essentiallyin secular education, trade, wealth, agriculture, selfreliance, and the comforts of life."-Montreal Witreligious communities, who would not denounce such ness, 2nd inst.; thus placing it—civilisation—essentially in the material order. We, on the contrary—and it is this that renders further controversy on the One suggestion however would we throw out, and subject unprofitable place civilisation essentially in Montreal to that place to attend to the spiritual wants of

superiors—it would follow that they were also as, if not more, highly civilised; and that they presented therefore as many signs of the possession of "true religion," as do any of the countries of modern Christendom. But this is false, unless Paganism be as true as Christianity; and Baal or Jupiter, as much the true God, as is He, Whose Holy Name is unpro-

Civilisation then—that is as the Montreal Witness defines it-" secular education, trade, wealth, comforts of life"-is no test of true religion; for history shows us that communities, given over to the most degrading idolatries, have reached to as high a degree of that kind of civilisation, as have any Christian people. This at least is the conclusion to which we must hold until our cotemporary shall have shewn the necessary connection between the religion of the meek and lowly Jesus-Who taught us that we must take up our cross, not the "comforts of life," if we would be His disciples; Who warned us that in this life we must look for persecution, and tribulations, that we must deny ourselves, and die daily to the world—and "trade, wealth, secular education and the comforts of this life." Why we ask, and upon what authority, does he assume that these must inevitably follow the practice of "true religion?" We pause for a reply.

FREE-SCHOOLISM v. STATE-SCHOOLISM .- Our friends in Upper Canada seem to be in earnest upon the School question; and firmly determined, at all costs, to secure to their children, the blessing of Freedom of Education," and emancipation from the vile thraldom of State-Schoolism. In this matter, the Catholics of Brantford, aided and encouraged by their exemplary Pastor, the Rev. J. Ryan, have set a noble example, which we hope will be followed throughout the Province. Every man should put his shoulder to the wheel; and work as if all depended upon his individual exertions. Thus, true to ourselves, may we expect that God will bless us, and crown our labors with success.

The Toronto Catholic Citizen of the 27th ult. gives a report of the result of the Soirée held on the 18th of the same month, for the benefit of the Separate Schools. At this meeting upwards of Fifteen Hundred persons were present; including a large number of the Catholic Clergy from all parts of the country, with the Rev. Mr. Ryan in the chair. The following is abridged from the report in the Catholic Citizen. We must mention also that many Protestant gentlemen were present; who, though of a different religion, yet agree with Catholics in upholding the great principles of "Freedom of Education," and "Freedom of Religion"-a freedom which essentially consists in immunity from all State control over either Church or School, Education or Religion:--

Tea being over, the Rey. J. Ryan, our Pastor, took the chair, and opened the meeting by explaning in a truly eloquent discourse the necessity of providing means for the education of the rising generation, showing its adventage from early childhood to manhood, and impressed upon the assemblage the advantages accruing to the individual, to assembling the divintigles accriming to the individual, to society in general, to religion and to God, placing before us the examples of some poor youths, moving in the humblest spheres, who by the cultivation of the mind raised themselves and attracted the attention of the world, by Our cotemporary also informs us that, his "private the great genius they exhibited, giving us for example judgment" leads him to the conclusion "that the that under no circumstances should we be discouraged, TRUE WITNESS has not testified the truth." Now but should persevere and endeavour to attain to a like our "private judgment." which is at least as good as amidst the most vociferous cheers.

After the opening address Mr. W. M'Manamy, the Corresponding Secretary, read letters of apology for non-attendance from the following gentlemen:—The Right Rev. Dr. De Chardonnel, Bishop of Toronto, Very Rev. E. Gordon, Hamilton, with a remittance, Rev. J. O'Reilly, Dundre Leville, Dund das, remittance, Rev. T. T. Kirwan, London, M. H. Foley, M.P.P. for Waterloo, M. B. Seymour, Esq., Goderich, with remittance, Terence J. O'Neil, Toronto, Theophilus Filgiano, Esq., Surgeon Dentist, Paris, remittance, M. Toumey, Esq., Goderich, and many other letters arrived after the meeting.

Madame McCarthy, accompanied by Dr. Digby, appeared on the front of the platferm and sang some beautiful

songs, which were loudly applauded, also, the Philbarmonic Band of Brantford, played some fine pieces.

Then the Rev. Mr. Keleher of Ingersol next addressed the meeting in a neat and eloquent speech, showing the advantages of a religious education, and expressed himself highly pleased in beholding such a large meeting as-sembled for such a noble purpose, and concluded by pass-ing an enconium on Pastor and flock for their praisworthy

exertions. (Cheers.)

Daniel McKerlie, being called for, came forward, and referred with marked notice of respect to many parts of the Rev. Chairman's address, and complimented him for his zeal, and also for the noble manner in which the mem-bers of his congregation responded to his call on the pre-sent occasion, most of all he admired the harmony which prevailed among the meeting, being frequently interrupted. The honorable gentleman sat down amidst great cheering.

Alfred Digby, Esq., M.D., Brantford, being loudly called for from all parts of the bouse, arose and said he rejoiced to see at the meeting many faces with whom he had been acquainted for the last twenty-four years, and he hoped he would live to see them for another twenty-four years, and concluded a neat and telling speech, which attracted the thanks and attention of all present, by subscribing the large donation of \$20 to the schools. The honorable gentleman was loudly cheered throughout his address. He is deservedly a favourite with all classes and creeds here.

The Rev. Mr. Canny, Stratford, next addressed the meeting, he very much admired the largeness, harmony and respectability of the meeting, and concluded by wishing success to our cause.

A loud call for the Rev. Mr. Fitzhenry of Toronto, he arose and said, how delighted he was at beholding such a large meeting collected for the noblest of purposes, namely the education of youth, and concluded by passing a high and well merited culogium on our Chairman, remark-ing that his merits were well known to himself and the people of Bytown, when first sent on the mission from

we lost so many of our Priests and Religious; he was happy to notice the marks of sobriety on the countenance of all present. [Great cheering.]

We noticed a beautiful cushion, splendidly wrought and costly ornamented, presented by the Ladies of St. Joseph to the Rev. Mr Ryan, which will be disposed by lottery for the henefit of the Schools, also, some splendid children.

the benefit of the Schools, also, some splendid children's dresses and other articles contributed by the ladies of

Brantford and Paris, attracted considerable attention.
Of all the meetings, Mr. Editor, we have ever beheld, we never witnessed so much zeal manifested, many of those who attended came a distance of 60 miles, and from the remotest parts of the Rev. Chairman's mission, contributing by their presence to cheer vs on in the good cause. Our best thanks are due to our dissenting brethren, many

We would remind our friends that the Soirée of the Young Men's St. Patrick's Association comes off on the 15th inst.

The acknowledgment of the monies received is unavoidably postponed to next week.

A Decided IMPROVEMENT .- We learn from the N. Y. Christian Inquirer that the Rev. Mr. Beecher is bringing out a revised Hymn Book for the use of evangelical Christians in the U. States; from which is omitted the celebrated Protestant conticle, commencing with the following invocation :-

"Lord, take Thy hand from off Thy lap, And feich Thy foes a rousing slap.

We congratulate our friends upon this evidence of returning good taste.

ENIGRATION CONVENTION AT EUFFALO -A meeting of Irishmen residents of the County of Elgin, was held in the town of St. Thomas, on the 23rd December last. Patrick Bobier, Esq., occupied the Chair, and Mr. Peter Murtagh acted as Secretary. After considerable discussion it was resolved, "That the Convention in favor of Emigration, suggested by the letter of the Very Rev. Dean Kirwan, Jub-lished in the Provincial and United States journals, meets with the cordial approval of this meeting; and that Messra. James Cunningham, Peter Murtagh, Patrick Bobier, and Patrick Burke, are hereby appointed as Delegates from the County of Elgin and town of St. Thomas, to attend the said Convention at Buffalo, when it shall be held accord-

ing to notice in the public press.

Resolved, "That the proceedings of this meeting be published in the Catholic Citizen, and Mirror, Toronto, and in the American Celt. P. MORTAGH, Secretary.

-Catholic Citizen.

NEW GOVERNMENT BISHOPS .- Two new sees are to be formed forthwith out of the present diocese of Toronto, the sanction of the bishop (Dr. Strachan) having been received. The seat of one of the bishoprice will be at London, and the other at Kingston. It is believed that the Bishopric of London will be conferred upon the Rev. Dr. Cronyn a rural dean of the diocese; and the bishopric of Kingston upon the Rev. Mr. Hincks, a clerryman at present by dioc upon the Rev. Mr. Hincks, a clergyman at present holding a benefice in the diocese of Down and Connor, a brother of Mr. Hincks, whom Sir William Molseworth recently appointed to the governorship of Barbadoes.— Globe.

Poisoning in Merrickville,-We learn from the Brockville Monitor, that a man named Samuel Haggarty has been louged in jail in Brockville, on the charge of poison-ing his wife. The circumstances of this case are as follows: About two months since he purchased strychnia from a druggist in Merrickville, which he kept until Sunday the 9th ult. On the Saturday previous, he went to Dr. Church and purchased some modicine for himself and wife; on Sunday morning he mixed part of the medicine for himself. and after swallowing it mixed the rest for his wife, and, it is supposed, put into it the strychnia before alluded to. His wife at first refused taking it, but finally, from the urgent solicitation of her husband, she took it; immediately after which, Haggarty went out to the barn, and diately after which, Haggarty went out to the barn, and attended to his work. Fortunately, however, a neighbor shortly afterwards went into the house, and found her laying on her face in bed, in great agony. A number of others were called in, and she lived long enough to tell the circumstances, and declared before all present, her belief that her husband poisoned her. Before she died, Haggarty went into the house, and she publicly charged him with poisoning her, to which he made no reply. She was huried on Monday, the 10th ultime, but the results of Monday. buried on Monday, the 10th ultimo, but the people of Merrickville were dissatisfied, and the body was disinterred and Drs. Church, Burnett and McDonnell, held an examination over the body, and declared that she had been poisoned by strychnia, and Haggarty was arrested forthwith. He lived with James Francis. He was only a short time married. . Haggarty is about 25 years old, and his wifewas about the same age.

More Incendiarism .- On Christmas Eve the incendiary's torch was again at work in Kingston, no less than three different places being set fire to. Fire was set to some straw between two frame houses on Queen Street, near St. Paul's church, which for a few minutes threatened wholesale destruction to the inflammable neighborhood, but by the energetic and prompt exertions of the neighbors and passers by, the fire was subdued before the arrival of the fire engine which were promptly on the spot. These cond attack of the miscreant or miscreants was on the immense pile of cordwood (some thousand of cords) in the Government wood yard at the foot of King Street, which required all the exertions of the Fire Department, assisted by the soldiers in the barracks, for some hours to get under. The officers of the garrison, headed by the active and experienced Town Major, Colonel Boucher, aided most materially by their presence and personal exertions in getting the lire extinguished, and thus preventing heavy loss to the Government. What makes this latter fire more shameful, is the fact that it was known that the Government intended to sell the wood in small lots to the citizens during the winter, and thus greatly reduce the price of fuel, a valuable boon to all, but especially to the poor. A house also near the artillery barracks was fired about the same time.—Kingston Commercial Advertiser.

The Welsh in Kingston have organized a military company of sixty men.

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FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

FRANCE.

The Paris correspondent of the Daily News says -" From all I can learn, it appears that the Emperor is surrounded by a very strong peace party. Many of his old, best, and most influential friends say to him, in substance, this-Sire-What more have you to gain by war? You have revived the prestige of your name. You have given the French army an abundant feast of glory. You have carried your influence in Europe to the highest pitch: What more can you want? The continuance of the war, implies further wars—a continuance of sacrifices of all classes of society, which the people may, perhaps, ill support, especially during the privations which are so seriously apprehended in the course of the coming winter. In all this advice the Emperor maintains the attitude of a Sovereign. Struggling passively with his councillors, he cannot but perceive that no peace but one disgraceful to France and England could be made under present circumstances, and he has to strike the balance between the danger to his crown and dynasty of discontent occasioned by the burthens of war, and that indignation which would certainly be provoked by dishonorable peace at the same time that the attention of the people being no longer distracted by the stimulus of the war, they, in all likelibood, busy themselves more than they do at present about their domestic government.

All the hopes of peace terminate in being dissipated. If the Cabinets of London and Paris have at tength agreed, as it is stated, on any ultimatum to be imposed on Russia, it is probable-they are not deceived as to the small chance of such ultimatum being accepted by Russia. Many persons do not hesitate to assert that there has been nothing serious in the reports circulated of an amicable solution, that nothing has been proposed by Russia, and nothing transmitted to the Western Powers.—Paris Correspondence of the Indépendance Belge.

GERMAN POWERS.

The Vienna correspondent of the Times says that the Austrian propositions are about to be submitted to the Turkish cabinet, and from this it is concluded that France and England have assented to them. The Austrian budget of war, which last year was nearly 200,000,000 florins has been reduced by the order of the Emperor to 120,000,000.

The Archbishop of Munich has just been created Cardinal. In making the announcement, the Nouvelle Gazette de Munich states, that it is the wish of the Holy Father that the three great nations of Europe - France, England, and Germany - be represented in the Supreme Senate of the Catholic Church. The Archbishop of Munich (now Cardinal) will reside at Rome; and also Cardinal Wiseman and the new French Cardinal (Bishop of La Rochelle.)

The Emperor, as a token of his personal satisfaction that a Concordat has been concluded with the Papal Chair, has subscribed 250,000f, as a contriis bution to the monument which is to be erected on the Piazza di Spagna at Rome, in commemoration uf the day on which the Papal Sec declared the Immaculate Conception to be one of the dogmas of the Catholic Church. The Emperor has received the Grand Cross of the Pius Order from His Holiness. The of the day on which the Papal See declared the Im-

that city, with an autograph letter from his Sovereign we may mention, but it is considered with the Government mark to the King of Denmark. It was pretended in certain circles that his mission was to support the Muster, and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and the mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the Muster and circles that his mission was to support the mission was to covite cause at that Court, and to efface the favour plies. Is anything more wanted?

rable impression produced by General Canrobert. The weather is described as having been "execuable,"

in first explorer—Sin George Back—that arrived here, add they could proceed no farther from sheer exhaustion; the but that utterly worn out they faid down and one after the other perished of cold and hunger. In con-

spoons and forks: Some of these were conveyed to England, by Dr. Rae in support of the truth of the story as related by the Esquimanx, some details of which were however questioned. In consequence, it was determined by the British Government that, if possible, another expedition should proceed to the spot indicated as the scene of this fearful tragedy, there to collect all the information that could be ob- Expedition. tained either from the natives, or the traces left by the whites themselves. Of the result of this second expedition, which, in every important particular, confirms Dr. Rae's report, the Herald furnishes the following details:-

The organisation and management of this new expedi-tion were wisely entrusted to the Hudson's Day Company. On the 37th October, 1854, the instructions of H. M. Government and the Company were forwarded from London to Sir George Simpson at Lachine, where he received them in the middle of November. His great experience and well known ability in affairs of that nature, enabled him to decide with promptitude on the mode of carrying out the expedition, the men to be employed as leaders and in subordinate capacities, the amount of supplies craft, and all other requisites for the undertaking; and on the 20th Nove mber, list year, his instructions were disputched by special messenger to the Hudson's Bay Territories, all parts of which were put under requisition to furnish material, the whole to be collected at the rendezvous, Fort Resolution, in Great Slave Lake, by the 1st June following; and so complete were the plans, and so carefully had all contin-

gencies been provided against, that in no point was there a failure in carrying on his arrangements.

The officers selected to lead the party were Mr. Anderson, a Chief Factor of the Company, and Mr. J. G. Stewart, a Chief Trader—both well qualified by experience, courage, physical strength, &c., for the ardnous duty. The party consisted of these two officers and fourteen men, and left Fort Resolution, a port of the H. B. Company on Great Slave Lake, on the 22nd of June last in two bark canoes, in which they performed the perilous voyage down Great Fish River—a river known to the world for its dangers horrors by Sir George Back's narrative. From Mr. Stewart we learn that he doubts that the party ever could have got safely down that stream to the coast had it not been for the wonderful dexterity of the three Iroquois voyageurs whom Sir George Simpson had prudently forwarded from Lachine to join the expedition—the three best men of his

The party reached the outlet or estuary of the river on the 30th of July, and skirted along its eastern shore as far as Point Beaufort, but found no traces to rewarn their search. From thence they crossed over to Montreal island 12 miles distant, lying near the western shore of the estuary; probably, in that crossing, incurring as great peril as any in the gloomy record of Arctic travels, pushing their bark canoes boldly out into the Arctic ocean, and forcing their way through drifting masses of Arctic ice seven and eight feet thick. But they were prepared to make any effort to reach the island which, as well as Point' Aigle, near it, had been the places Dr. Rae understood the Esquimanx to mean when describing where the white party perished in 1850; and they had the melancholysatisfaction of procuring, on that very spot, the fullest pos-sible confirmation of Dr. Rac's report. They also met Esquimaux in that vicinity who had seen the whites, and gave much valuable information. Suffice it to say, that on the island were discovered the remains of a boat, which had been partially destroyed by the natives for the sake of the wood and the metal fastenings. Although there was sufficient left to identify it as belonging to the Franklin Expedition, one fragment of wood (now, as well as some other small relics in the possession of the Hudson's Bay Company at Lachine) having the name "Terror" branded on it, while another piece has the name of Mr. Stanley, (Surgeon of the "Brebus") cut upon it this latter being part of a snow-shoe, evidently of English manufacture, being made of oak? species of wood no man accustomed to use snow-shoes would ever select for the purpose. No papers or books, Grand Cross of the Pius Order from His Holiness. The insigna of the order sent by the Pope are said to be magnificent. That Count Buol, Baron Bach, and Count Thun have not been forgotten need hardly be said.—Times.

NORTHERN POWERS.

A letter from Copenhagen, of the 6th, says that as Envoy of the Emperor of Russia was expected in that city, with an autograph letter from his Sovereign.

covite cause at that Court, and to efface the favorable impression produced by General Canrobert.

Others said that he is merely the representative of Pussian interests at the conferences on the Sound dues. The question of the Sound bowever is, but a pretext, and the mission of the Envoy is essentially of a political nature.

Advices from Helsingfors received in Stockhold and arrived that, on the 14th ultimo, 10 server gunboats, essentially estate that, on the 14th ultimo, 10 server gunboats, escorted by a steamer of large size, lad arrived there, from Cronstadt, and anchored in the inner barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of these ressels had all been barrbor. The engines of the blockade large quantities about our English accounts are reported to have been exported from Helsingfors at the beginning of the probability of the state of the blockade large quantities into the Expedition charged with making enquiries into the late of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the probability of the Expedition charged with making enquiries into the late of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the universal and through the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the universal and through the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the fact of the charge and the proposed to the

in the right places."
One word in conclusion as to the Franklin Expedition.
The two vessels Erebus and Terror left England in 1843—

travelled Southward towards the Arctic Coast, in the hope of reaching some of the Hudson's Bay Company's ports. The season of 1849 was probably spent on this dream journey, and renewed in 1850, where they reached the coast at the mouth of Fish River, but in so exhausted a state that they could merely run their boat on the beach and crawl ashore to die. This seems all that is certain, and all that we can ever know, of the fate of the Franklin

PERSECUTION OF THE REDEMPTORIST. - The combined malice and craft of Satan could scarcely suggest a more effective expedient for alienating the Irish and embarrassing the empire. Chambers mea-sure—the bigotry which all England manifested when heresy braved its assinine approbation of the Convents. Bill so vociferously-disgusted the hardy and laborious classes that furnish the most valuable solliers. In the midst of a war-the mightiest on record, and whose exigencies were prodigious—recruit, ing proceeded at a snail's space. Hence, in despair, Ministers had recourse to foreign mercenaries. Hence the loans to Sardinia and Turkey; and hence the present alarming fluctuations of the money market. The subsidies which purchased soldiers and sacrilege in Sardinia have brought only disaster and alarm to the mercantile world, producing that unprecedented depression of the funds which threatens the most runous of all contingencies—a financial crash—national bankruptcy. English statesmen at the same moment send their Sergeant Kites to enlist the Catholic laity and the Attorney-Generals to prosecute Catholic Priests. They began by insulting the Nuns they go on by insulting the Friars-and now they wonder that recruits come in slowly. Lord Palmerston, like Mr. Chambers, is a traitor to the best interests of the empire. By insulting the Priests he has alienated a nation of soldiers, weakened the British army, and strengthened Russia. If the outroar of Profestant bigotry a year ago was followed by calamities and disgrace that silenced scurrility, and were never paralleled in English experience we may rest assured that the outery against the Redemptorist Fathers will likewise be followed by condigu castigation. Indeed, already the darkening of the political sky shows the proximity of the coming storm. A deficient harvest and industrial mutiny—closing factories and trembling banks—the revival of faction and the depression of wages—the necessity of new loans and the ill-leeling of America: these are the instru-ments with which Providence will arrest and humble persecution. It is not with the depraved population of her Protestant towns that England can hope to recruit her armies and preserve her empire. Those towns produce legions of thieves, but they do not produce regiments of soldiers. London contains one hundred and fifty thousand habitual gin-drinkers—this army of topers, who can handle the "rummer" with great dexterity, will handle the firelock awkwardly. London alone trains up 120,000 children to crime, but she does not train one-hundredth part as many youths to the military defence of their country. Could she convert all her rascality into soldiers. England would become a first-rate military power. But this 'rascality, instead of recruiting the army in the Crimea, will only re-10,000 adults unable to read and unwilling to fight. She has 23,000 whom the police take up yearly for drunkenness, but whom Sergeant Kite will refuse for soldiers. Were Protestant England to exhibit her culprits in a " palace of crime," as she exhibited her manufactures in a " palace of industry," she would bear the prize from all nations, London alone might contribute the four thousand, who, in that city, are committed annually for violation of the law, as well as hor three thousand receivers of stolen property. The chairman of a meeting last week in Soffolk cal-culated the number of children (mere children) committed for trial at sessions and assizes at 17,000 annually. England provokes God's vengeance, not only by persecuting His Clergy, but by generating hordes of villians. Could any nation in the world vie with her on this score? An empire so prolific of thieves and so scanty of soldiers should not, in time of war, quartel with the Priesthood of a nation which has always abounded in soldiers, and, thanks to its Priest. hood, is always stingily fornished with thieves.— Toble!

UNITED STATES.

Northern Light troubles with these extraordinary ty. Nothing is more remote from historic verity. To statements:—"The United States authorities have the settlers of Virginia and Maryland do we mainly been furnished with affidavits and documents-which they deem irrefutable—showing that a wide-spread fanaticism renders inoperative as far as it can by state movement has been commenced all along the Atlant laws, and delights in burning copies of the instrument tic seaboard of the United States to send men and on Fourth of July celebrations, menacing even the arms to Nicaragua, for the purpose of organizing an destruction of the temple of freedom of which it is the army in that State to descend upon Cuba and San Do- law and the Gospel lit was in despite of New Engmingo, and wrest them from their presentipossessors. After the consummation of this design, the parties interested in the movement propose to unite into one confederacy the State of Nicarargua and such other lans. portions of Central America as may be acquired by All conquest or otherwise, Cuba and San Domingo, and Mass either to set up a separate republic, or to apply for admission into the American Union as slave States. It is alleged that thousands, of the most reckless, adventures in the Allantic cities have already been enwould-be invaders are daily augmented by extensive point for the invading army. So far as we can learn, this information is supposed to have come into the possession of the United States Government through the treachery of the man who was to have gone out as General of the expedition. How true this may be, we have no means of judging; but that this person is said to have revealed the plans of the Cuban Junta by the way, is charged with being at the bottom of the whole affair-that he was visited at his own house in Brookly, after midnight a few nights since, and dragged from his bed by armed ruffions, and no doubt would have been slain had he not seized a timely opportunity to escape from their bowie knives, is well known.

The Express (Va.) says:—"We noticed several days, since, the fact that a Presbyterian minister resigned his charge in Philadelphia, because the rules of his church would not allow him to marry a lady in Virginia, who had been divorced. The reverend gentleman alluded to came to Virginia, where by every a Paddy? in the United States. Ought not the lady lives, to claim the boon for which he had these insuits have the effect of inspining every man of

CLERICAL COMICALITIES. - The Utica correspondent of an "Erangelical" paper, writing soon after the close of the late meeting in that place of the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, whose members, logether with the hosts of the clergy men in attendance, were, as usual, quattered upon the nospitality of the citizens of the city, says:—

arising from the various letters received from some of the divines who contemplated visiting our city at the time of this meeting. One says he is about to lead to the alter a young lady, and desires that he may be accommodated with two rooms and a private parlor—appropriated exclusively to themselves. Another expresses a hope that he may be provided with a home, during his stay, in a family where, there are marriageable, young, ladies—having the faculty of union for life strongly developed.

PLYMOUTH ROCK. On Salviday evening came of at the Astor House the annual aristocratic dinner, in celebration of the landing of the "Pilgrim Fathers." from the May Flower, on Plymouth Rock, the blarney-stone of New England. The usual amount of cant and humbug passed current, and "the eastern hive" and its peculiar institutionss were glorified at the expense of the rest of the Union, and of the world at large. These institutions are declared to be the Protestant religion, and common schools, in which a Protestant Bible is forced upon Catholic children, under the penalty of being deprived of the secular education for which their parents are taxed; and it is claimed that these are the two from which spring all the liberty and all the prosperity of the American peo.

Not only is this untive, but the reverse of truth. There is no subject on which so much ignorance prevails as on that of the "Pilgrim Fathers," and the supposed influence which they and their descendants have had in achieving the independence of the Colonies, and inshaping the destinies of the Republic .-Let us briefly state a few historical facts.

In the first place, these Pilgrim Fathers were not the first American colonists, even from England. Virginia, the "old dominion," was settled fourteen years before the landing of the Pilgrims.

Secondly, they were not driven to America from England by persecution, as we are eternally told. Persecutors themselves, they were beaten by their enemies, who persecuted them in turn, and compelled them to emigrate or conform to the religion by law established. They fled not to America but to Holland, where they might have enjoyed liberty to their heart's content, but for which they had no relish, unless they had the power of persecuting their fellow men for their religious opinions. It was not liberty for all they wanted, but a monopoly of it for a chosen few, and extermination of the rest of mankind. After sojourning for eleven years in Holland, whose democratic institutions were too free for them, they set sail for the American continent, influenced partly by a selfish and exclusive religious fanaticism, and partly by a desire of improving their worldly condition; a consideration of which "the Saints" and their descendants to this day have never lost sight.

Thirdly, the principles and practices of the Pilgrim Fathers were not only not consonant with civil and religious liberty, but in direct antagonism. Let us take a specimen of their laws :-

"No one shall be a freeman unless he be a member in full communion with one of the churches allowed in this dominion.

" No one shall hold any office who is not sound in the faith.

"No lodging or food shall be offered to a Quaker, or other heretic.

"If any person turn Quaker, he shall be banished, and suffer death on his return.

"Priests may be seized by any person without a warrant."

Nor was this intolerant code a dead letter. Roger Williams who was one of themselves, and was therefore sound enough in the faith," was exiled and nar-rowly escaped death for merely contending for toleration for other men's religious opinions. Anne Hutch-inson was banished for her religious opinions by the unanimous decree of the Puritan Synod of Boston, and consequently perished by the hands of Indian sa-

vages. are told that from this intolerance, offsi The New York Tribune prefaces its report of the of hell, has arisen the noble fabric of American liberlowe that glorious constitution which New England land bigofry that that temple was erected, It was from Catholic Maryland its foundation stone was taken, and the ar chitects and builders were Virgin-

All that New England can fairly claim is that in Massachusetts the stroggle with the mother country began. But it must be recollected that it was chiefly Southern men and Southern generalship that continued the conflict and kept alive the sacred fire of free-Fentures in the Atlantic cities have already been endem, when according to Sparks, "relapsed into a listed in this movement, and that the ranks of the state of comparative inactivity and indifference." It would be invaders are daily augmented by extensive was mainly by a Southern general and by Southern accessions from the interior. And alie further alleged blood that the redecous were finally driven from the that Walker cares not a title for Nicaragua; any fur-soil, and the independence of the thirteen colonies esther than she may prove serviceable as a gathering tablished Nearly all the distinguished generals of the war of 1812 were Southern men, and the founders of the republic and statesmen who have since shaped its destiny have been chiefly Southern men. At was New England gave birth to the traitor Arnold and the traitorous Hattlord Convention. New England is now the hot-bed of all the fanaticisms of the day, and in its soil does the rank weed of Know Nothingism most

Let us, therefore, no longer be imposed upon by the anniversary slang of New Englandism; and let no Irish American citizen, or Irish aspirant to American citizenship, mistake for that if liberty, fraternity lequality, which are guaranteed by the constitution to all citizens' the patronising condecension which admits men of Irish bitth to be somewhat better than negroes, but by no means equal to natives of the American soil; particularly if they be New Englanders. The irony of Mr. Hoxie, and the ridicule with which he assails Irish labor will no doubt be duly appreciated the but that interly worn out they haid down, and one dity appreciated were last, heard of in 1845. They probably tried several verend gentleman alluded to came to Virginia, where by every. Paddy? in the United States. Ought not the lady lives, to claim the boon for which he had these insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady in the lady like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady in the lady like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady on hearing like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady in the lady like insuits have the effect of inspining every man of the lady in the lady like insuits have the effect of lady like insuits have the effect of lady like insuits have the lady like insuits

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1001 of Murray-street. An officer hearing the report of the pistol went to the place from whence it came, and found the unfortunate man lying dead, with a pistol clasped firmly in his right hand. His head was shockingly mutilated .- Jb.

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