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A WAYS DE REMIN SCENCE.

(From the Catholic World)

What woman, travelling alone, has not en countered the embarrassment of entering a car already nearly filled with passengers? Perhaps the awkwardness of the situation may not be as keenly felt by those who frequently meet, and who are accustomed to the manifold jostlings of this busy world, as by a recluse like myself. -However this may be, I can testify from experience that the ordeal is a painful one to a sensitive and skrinking nature. So it chanced that, upon discovering this condition of affairs as I June, 1867, I dropped into the first vacant place my eye detected, by the side of an elderly lady dressed in deed mourning. The first glimpse of her face and manner satisfied me that she also was from the 'States,' and I felt quite at home with her at once.

We soon fell into conversation, and I found my companion most agreeable, quiet and intelligent. We beguiled the monotony of a railway journey by a pleasant chat upon the scenery through which we were passing, and such other topics as came uppermost. I noticed, as we stopped a few minutes at Brockville, that she seemed to scan all that could be seen from the car with deep interest; and again, as we pursued our course up the river in sight of the Thousand Islands, she was quite absorbed in her observation of the scenery.

Beautiful islands,' I remarked, 'I would like nothing better than occupy some days in ex-

ploring their fairy hausts." You would find many of them beautiful indeed. she repeated. They are very dear to me; for my early life was passed in their neighborhood, and I retain for them much of the afyears. What frequent merry-makings and pic nic festivals did the young people from the American shore and those of Brockville enjoy among the windings of their picturesque laby-

rioth, long ago !' she added with a sigh. lumpse of scenes most interesting to her from their connection with memories of the

to us, as we were engaged in discussing one sub ject after another of general interest, until some time in the afternoon, when, clatter! clatter! clatter! thump! thump! a jolt and a bounce self more firmly in her place, while a volley of exclamations, 'What can it be?' 'There's from every quarter, the swaying, irregular move a moment in the door, uttering with hasty tremor, | Gaelic dialect : 'Don't be alarmed, ladies and gentlemen-no

This appoundement was met, I am sorry to may hap she will join me. say, with more murmurs at the detention than thanks for our providential escape from imminent in this lonely, disagreeable place, too, added one of the company familiar with the route volunteered the information that we were not many miles from Toronto.

of mysterious sympathy impossible to define, but every strain the fervent outpourings of tender up an intercourse with them during the life of which will be understood by all converts to the piety, though tremulous with emotion. Catholic faith—that she was, like myself, of this class, and she had formed the same conjecture in relation to me: which was, perhaps, the cause act, upon the occurrence of the incident record- on the beads of the Holy Rosary. ed-ia fortifying ourselves with the blessed sign of benediction and protection, so precious to all conference the mutual conference. The revening prayers being over, they wake the became acquinted with Donald Macpherson, tisements of a loving Father in our own case. began to revive, another difficulty met their decomposition and protection, so precious to all conference the mutual conference whose father was a warm friend of her uncle whose father was a warm frie Catholics - had confirmed the mutual conjecture, she said in a trembling voice : and established a strong bond of sympathy be-

tame and uninteresting region can scarcely be watery graves.

imagined than that in which we so reluctantly lingered.

'What wonderful changes forty years will make in the face of a new country, she at length exclaimed. 'I passed this way, going and returning, in 1827, at an age when the deepest peculiar in its nature as to make those impressions indellible. I have always carried the picture of the route, slowly traversed at that time,

After walking for some time in silence, she resumed: It is strange how vividly the most minute details of that journey and the incidents connected with its return to me, now that we scenes I then sought, though there is nothing in the aspect of the country to bring them back.'

By this time we had loitered into a shady nook, at no great distance from the disabled car; and its coolness inviting us to remain, after we red seated ourselves upon a rock overgrown with moss, I begged that she would while away the time of our detention by giving me a history of those per countenance was in repose. Her form was incidents.

ng to you,' she remarked. 'The recollection of events that took place around us in youth has more power to move ourselves than others. But of this you shall judge for yourself.

'In 1826 I was visiting a dear friend who lived on St. Paul street, in Montreal. It was a pleasant evening in June, the close of one of hose very warm days so common in the early holy sacrifice. part of a Canadian summer, where the interval between the snows and frosts of winter and the

stranger. I was sitting in my room, at an open window that looked out on a narrow back court, the opfection that clings to the memory of dear friends, posite of which was bounded by a row of lowthough I have not seen them before for many roofed tenant houses parallel with the bank of the river, and over these, upon a magnificent proach the rail before the altar, and knew it was nately carried in his vest pocket—to the mayor looking little girl of surprising beauty, who was for some time, my thoughts wandering sorrow fore me, notwithstanding the lapse of years. She then informed me that she was on her fully far up its waters and the stream of time to rear of the tenements mentioned.

brought every man in the car to his feet, and that touched the tenderest chord of sympathy in oppressing her. caused every woman instinctively to settle ber | my heart, which was then writhing under the pangs of a recent sore bereavement.

something wrong !' 'Cars off the track !'- ments on the Lowland Scotch in St. Lawrence gether by the bonds of sorrow, I mingled my mother, and, he assured me, had not been absent with their dialect, the use of which added to my her art.ess story. ment preventing the possibility of reaching the interest in the speaker, and I listened eagerly The time seemed long, but in reality occupied a suppressed sobbing, and the low tones of a only a few seconds, before the motion ceased manly voice that seemed southing an outburst of ther, being left in feeble health, and destitute of suddenly, with a hitch, a backward jerk, and a grief which was overwhelming his companion.

> It would drown the sorrows of my gentle Catholic after her marriage. in the agonies of our ain grief. I will sing, and

perd. 'How unfortunate,' cried one. 'And of a man's voice, as soft and musical as any to pet of a large household of cousins older than solace of my invalid mother, that 'The Lord Ferguson from the top of a wave which rolled which I had ever listened. The words were in another. A third wondered where we were, Gaelic, but the refrain at the close of each sister. So kind were the whole family to her, the tender mercy and love that had inflicted this back in its receding surf but for a powerful efverse, 'Ora, Mater, Ora' - revealed their religion, and that it was a hymn of the Blessed Vir. father in the sense most chilling and painful to family with such calamities, in the clear light life, for he received injuries in the att mpt by gin to which I was listening. Before the close the heart of the ornhan, that of being an object with which His grace afterward made it mani-Now, from the moment I sat down by my of the first verse he was joined by a voice, low of indifference and neglect. They went fre- fest to me. new acquaintance, I had divined-by that sort and clear as the tones of a flute, bearing upon quently to visit their Lowland friends, and kept

Soon af or it ceased, they retired within the open door of their room, and I heard them resiturg elternately in a low voice, that treasured since their removal to the Highlands, with sevlessly torn from them; and all their worldly 'It was long before t citing alternately, in a low voice, that treasured since their removal to the Highlands, with sevof our having formed a sudden intimacy not devotion of the Catholic heart—of which I was eral of his small congregation, among whom substance buried in the consuming deep! Why storing any signs of life to either of the children, quite in keeping with the native reserve, not to then entirely ignorant, but which has since were her mother and herself, made their profes. had they thus been singled out as marks for such and when their efforts were at length rewarded sy shyness, of both. Our first and simultaneous (thank God!) become inestimably precious to sion to the Catholic faith, soon after which event a shower of fatal arrows? I pondered much by faint evidences of returning animation, they

Their evening prayers being over, they walk-

to morrow, sin' God took awa' our darlings: between the young people, when she was sixteen and whose generous hands had been opened to be aroused to a sense of anything around her. As we left the cars together, I observed that and och! wha wad hae thought I could bide sae she was married to Donald. When they had aid us in our necessities. Of these, the dear When the physician returned be gave little hopes. she still scanned the surrounding localities with lang it this cauld warld without a sight of their been married about six years, and had three friends with whom I was then staying had been of her recovery. an earnestness that did not seem warranted by bonnie faces! I dinna ken why I live, when children - the oldest of them a daughter five among the first, and their assistance and advice 'As soon as the gentleman who had taken. any claims they possessed to notice; for a more my sweet barraies are buried far awa' i' their years old and named for herself, and the others at that dark period of my life bave ever been them to his house dared to leave them and Mr.

Ah. Maggie, why wad ye not live for your | (among whom were two of his cousins and their nies, too; but he does not wish to leave his the new and remote districts of Upper Canada. Maggie because God has taken them from her. Cast awa' these repining thoughts, by own love, and let us go to the church, tagither to-morimpressions are received, and upon an errand to row morning, and lay all our griefs before the altar of our God.'

'I heard no more; but resolving to accompany them to church, I arose very early in my memory; but the transformation is so the next morning, and preparing myself, watched complete that I look in vain for one familiar an opportunity to join them, as they passed from land, and hoped they were about to reach the feature.

In my memory; but the transformation is an opportunity to join them, as they passed from land, and hoped they were about to reach the feature. Paul street.

' We walked on in silence after I joined them, and I saw that he was a tall, athletic young Highlander, of dark complexion, and with soft, upon discovering this committee and all are so singularly detained in the vicinity of the black eyes; and whose remarkably fine face glowed with intelligence and mildness. Her beauty was more conformed to the Lowland ones, they plunged into the water. The mother type; her eyes being of a deep clear blue, her was soon exhausted with the buffeting of the bair ' flaxen,' and her complexion exceedingly fair, while her teeth of snowy whiteness had a before she was thrown with the reach of nent impression on my mind. httle prominence that caused them to be slightly friendly hands, and taken up unconscious. Danrevealed between her rose bud lips, even when The parrative may not prove very interest as to seem child-like. I never saw such a perfect expression of soul absorbing ret patient and subdued sorrow as lingered upon every line of also lost. these beautiful leatures

> We entered the Recollect church, and I remained near them during the service. It was never before been present at the offering of the to find that their children and their relations had

Soon after our entry, I noticed that first one usages. I did not know for what purpose, though | misfortunes. I was deeply impressed by their solemn, reverent ing. I had been contemplating the mighty flood features after that solemn act is still vividly be-

When they left the church, I followed close- in Montreal. way to Illinois, to visit ker children there, and tranqu'l scenes now closed to me forever, when ly, determined to learn something, if possible, of they had not yet decided whether they by drooping lids and long silken lashes, which had chosen this route, that she might catch a the words, 'Ah, Donald! that I should live to their hatory. At the church door the man would return when these funds should arrive, or imparted a touching pensiveness to their expressee this day! Do not ask me to sing the hymn parted from her, and went away in an opposite go on to the place for which they had started, as sion, while her golden hair floated in we love this night, when my heart is so sair that direction from that by which we had come, leavit is like to break! I canna, canna sing the sange ing her to walk back alone. As I walked by Time and space passed almost imperceptibly o' Zion 1' this strange place, and in our sharp, her side, I addressed some casual remark to her on or returning; her children being gone, she and brilliant. The startling timidity combined sharp griefs! came floating to my ear on the and then, confessing the interest I telt in them did not care where she was. The terrified, im- with searching earnestness in their expression as evening breeze, from an open balcony along the on account of what I had accidentally overheard ploring look of her darling Maggie, as she was he raised them to mine and encountered my adthe evening betare, begged her to tell me, as dashed from them on her frail support, amid the miring gaze thrilled my very soul, and turning to There was a depth of anguish in the tones her sister in affliction, of the griefs which were merciless buffeting and boiling surges of the the good Sister who was conducting us, I ex-

streets from the Recollect Church to our places tended so stifully to them for protection-

She was the only child of a minister of the

ber mother.

ber mother died. It is a month to morrow, Donald, a month Kenneth. A strong attachment soon grew up pathy had poured balm upon our wounded spirits, sustained so sewere a shock that she could not boys - Donald thought best to join a colony remembered with gratitude.

Donald as the one best fitted by education for that purpose, was appointed surveyer of the wild lands, and to lay out roads in the wilderness.

They suffered much in parting with home and friends, but alas ! subsequent floods of affi ction obliterated all traces of those lighter griefs.

Their voyage was long and stormy, and when they were at length in sight of Newfound-Lawrence drove their vessel upon the rocks in the darkness of evening, and it was wrecked .-The poor young parents lashed their little Mag gie firmly to a plank, and committed her to the waves; then taking each a child, and imploring the aid of heaven for themselves and their little ald was dashed against the rocks, and caught friends, I remained much longer in Montreal from the receding waters of an immense wave, shortly after, by those who were on the shore French language, and to acquire the knowledge watching to render aid to the sufferers, insensible of some other branches, for which superior faciand apparently hieless. The child he had was littles were presented by the Sisters of the Con-

by the persevering efforts of those in attendance, fit me for teaching, the object I then had in animation was restored, though it was some days view. my first visit to a Catholic Church, and I had before they rec vered their consciousness, only perished. But a small number of their companions on the voyage survived. Their goods was staying. I was requested, in consequence of them and then the other passed for a brief and clothing, with the exception of what they of the indisposition of the lady of the house, to fervid heat, the verdure and bloom, of summer, space of time into a little curtained box at the wore, were all lost; but this was too trifling to accompany them to several places of interest in is often so marvellously short as to astonish a side of the aisle; but being ignorant of Catholic be thought of in comparison with their other the city which they wished to see. Among

manner, and the peaceful expression of their to Montreal, in company with the survivors of of foundlings. In passing through the rooms faces. During the progress of the service, the wreck, and Donald showed the certificate of appropriated to the children, I was particularly which commenced soon after, I saw them ap his appointment as surveyor-which he fortuview of the St. Lawrence, rolling grandly down to receive holy communion. The sweetly of the city, who provided comfortable quarters sitting on the floor and devoting herself to the past the city, at which I was never tired of gaz- serene and pensive light that rested upon their for them, and advised him to remain there until care and amusement of a little boy about two he should receive remittances from Scotland, for years old, whose beauty equalled her own, which they sent immediately after their arrival though entirely different in character. She was

furious waves-her eyes straining to catch a claimed, pointing to them. We sauntered slowly down the narrow glimpse of them, and her dear little arms ex-

land: the broad Atlantic rolling between them upon it, and my eyes were opened to see the had to exert themselves to the utmost for many When Maggie was in her fourteenth year, mercies that had been mingled with the chas- days to keep alive the vital spark. When they

While my new acquaintances remained in poor Donald? He mourns for the bonnie bair- tamilies) who were preparing to depart for one of Montreal, I passed much time with poor Maggie, to the entire satisfaction of my friends, to whom I communicated the sorrowful story on the day 1 heard it, and whose active sympathy contributed much towards the relief and comfort of the youthful mourners.

When they at length received the expected funds from Scotland, they decided to comply with the wishes of their surviving tellow-sufferers in exile and affliction, by accompanying them, according to their original intention, to Upper Canada. Our parting was very affecting. They had learned to look upon my friends as kind benelactors, while they regarded me as a sister. I felt very lonely after they were gone; but the lesson I had learned from my intercourse with them was never forgotten. Their united and unquestioning acquescence with will of God, and the persistent patience with which every action of their daily lives expressed, ' Though he waves; her child was bore from her arms just slay me, yet will I trust in him,' made a perma-

'At the invitation and by the advice of my then I at first intended, in order to learn the gregation of Notre Dame, and which were ne-'They were taken to a fisherman's hut, and cessary to advance my education sufficiently to

'Nearly a year bad passed since our parting with the Macpherson's, when some friends from Vermont arrived on a visit to those with whom I these was the house of the 'Grey Nuns,' a sis-As soon as they were able they proceeded terhood devoted to the care of a great number attracted by the face and attitude of a delicatefair as a hilly; her large blue eyes were shaded their companions were anxious to have them do. | curls to her shoulders. The little boy's com-' She expressed entire indifference as to going | plexion was dark and clear, his black eyes soft

" What beautiful children !" "Yes,' she said, with fond pride, and eyi-My childhood had been passed near settle. of abode, and our young hearts being drawn to- haunted the imagination of the broken hearted dently flattered by our notice of her pets, they are indeed beautiful, and alas! their misfortunes We shall be down the embankment? burst county, New York, and I was therefore familiar tears in sympathy with hers while she related from her thoughts one moment since, sleeping or are as striking as their beauty. They belonged to a Scotch family on board a vessel that was 'My sincere and ferveut sympathy seemed to wrecked off Newfoundland, and their parents doer, to discover the cause of all this disturbance. for further sounds. For some time I heard only Scottish Kirk, whose name was Lauder, and afford her some comfort, and it was freely and perished. Mr. Ferguson, a Scotch gentleman who died when she was quite young. Her mo- heartily offered; for I was myself, as I have in very infirm health, from our city, was visiting hinted, at that time a mourner over the recent some friends in that vicinity, and happened to any means of support, gladly accepted the home loss of the kindest and best of fathers, whose he passing in a carriage with one of them on the concussion, which had well night thrown us all At length I heard him say, with an accent that upon our faces; and the conductor appeared for betokened a tongue accustomed to the use of the years before to a highland gentleman by the His death, when I was yet but a child in years, noticing the torches and bustle on the shore. name of Kenneth McGregor, and who became a was followed by severe pecuniary reverses, which they stopped to inquire the cause and to render had driven us from our home and involved our assistance, if possible, to those who were washed danger / axle broke — cars off the track. We shall be detained here some time. And away us not forget the dolors of our Blessed Mother auch with true Scottish bospitality; and the and poverty. In my ignorance of sorrow and of plank, and by a wonderful Providence, when the most devoted and delicate attentions which af the religion which alone can sustain the afflicted, baby was borne away from his mother, the same fection could devise were lavished upon her I had thought there could be none so unhappy wave carried him within reach of his little sister. Presently a singularly wild and plaintive air broken-hearted mother, to soothe and comfort or unfortunate as ourselves. I could not then who seized and clung to him as with a dying was borne to my ear upon the flowing cadences her while the little Maggie became at once the believe the truth of the assurance, which was the grasp, until she was snatched insensible by Mr. herself, who regarded her ever after as a dear loveth whom he chasteneth.' I could not see | far up on the shore, and would have buried them that she was not permitted to feel the loss of her cruel bereavement and surrounded our helpless fort on his part, which had nearly cost him his severe sprains and otherwise, that rendered him almost helpless for some weeks. His friend took But here was an instance far more inscrut- the children and himself in the carriage to his able and heart-rending. Strangers in a strange residence, over two miles distant. Mr. Ferguson was unable to leave his bed for some When she reached her twelfth year, the and every beart upon which they had any spe weeks. Unfortunately the physician of that

"It was long before they succeeded in re-

Ferguson so long, he went to inquire after the

be where he could sometimes see them.

. The little girl recovered but slowly. Her sleep was for a long time broken by dreams of agonizing struggles, from which she would awake screaming, and so terrified that it required our most anxious and tender efforts to soothe and quiet her. During the first of her lucid intervals, she told her name and what she could of her parents."

While the good sister was reciting this little bistory, I stood like one in a maze, the conviction stealing over me that these were two of the children whose loss my poor friends, the Macphersons, were bemoaning; and when at length she closed the narrative by saying that the child revealed her name, I seized her arm with a sudden grasp, and whispered buskily, " What did she say her name was?

... Maggie Lauder Macpherson. 1 tottered to the nearest seat, almost fainting under the ratense excitement. She hastened for restoratives, after taking which I explained to her the cause of my agitation. I drew little Maggie to my side, and whispered tondly and gently, ' My dear little lasme, I knew and loved your mother.' Looking up most wistfully in my face, she

asked, ' Where ?' · Here, in Montreal,' I replied.

That canna be !' she murmured with plaintive softness, as if half musing, while the very expression of her mother's own sevene resigna tion mingled with a shade of disappointment, passed over ber lovely feature.

.. That canna be, gentle leddy, for my mither (and she shuddered as she uttered it) was buried 12 the cauld waves!"

'No! my child,' I said softly; ' your father and mother both escaped, and are living, though

a great ways from here.' It would be useless for me to attempt a de scription of what followed, as the truth of my assurance took possession of her mind; but the excitement of the sudden and joyful surprisewhich we feared might injure her-seemed to result that all other appliances had failed to secure. It was then discovered that the depressmg consciousness of their orphan and destitute

condition bad so weighed upon her sensitive young heart as to affect her delicate frame, and prevent her restoration to health.

I immediately sought my friends and told them of the discovery, after which we went to see Mr. Ferguson. It was agreed that I should and are doing much good. accompany the children to Upper Can da, and deliver them to their parents, they furnishing all necessary means for defraying the expenses of the journey.

morning, under charge of an old gentleman who was going to that vicinity on business. The second day we stopped at a rude log cabin, that aspired to the dignity of an inc. While the for a carriage, I heard a familiar voice outside, and looked from the window just in time to see Donald Macpherson himself, in the very act of driving away from the door. I tapped loadly on the window. He saw me, and came into the room just as I had hidden the children in an adjoining bedroom.

"Is it possible, then,' said he, ' that it is indeed yoursel'! What in the name of gudeness could hae brought you to this awfu' region !'

"I came,' I replied as calmly as I could, on business that nearly concerns you and Maggie. I am sure Providence must have sent you here, for I have been trying all the way to think how I could manage the business on which I came, without being able to settle on any plan .-Breathe a prayer to Heaven, Donald Macpherson, for strength to bear your 10y, as fervently as I have heard you utter under the pressure of as I have heard you utter under the pressure of of Tarsus, so colebrated from its connection with St. crushing griefs, while I tell you that Almighty Paul. From the ship's deck we could distinctly see God has sent two of your lost children back to you-little Maggie and your baby boy !

Never can I forget the expression that stole over his features as I finished. He lifted his hands and eyes reverently to heaven, and murmured a prayer in his native dialect. Then looking at me, as if awe struck, he exclaimed, · Cen it be that heaven has again employed you. the former messenger of its mercies to us, to bring this crowning one to our stricken hearts esoutcheens of the principal families of the old and desolated hearths? It is not possible-it must be some wild dream!"

'I drew him gently to the door of the bedroom, opened it, and rushed from the room .group, but it was long before we could speak. altogether untrustworthy, verifying, you would al-Such jey seemed too sacred for words. When we had sufficiently recovered from the blissful wife. He decided that he would go home and bring her with him in a double wagon to accompany me to their home, pleading my fatigue after my journey as the reason why I did not go with him at once. On the way he was to prepare her as well as he could.

'I will not dwell upon the raptures of the been lost, but were found !'-only to remark desired. The harbor is a natural basin or cove .that she who had borne grief so calmly and natiently met the elevation also of this sudden tude with which ber heart was overflowing.

was unnoticed. Their condition and that of Mr. Ferguson, their being consequently hurried observe its magnitude. It owes its importance almost away so suddenly from the vicinity, and remain- about it is insufficient to afford it either nerve or ing so long unconscious, together with the absence of the physician, had prevented any com- the son of Marmora arrived at Constantinople in the munications of a kind which might have led to morning. the disclosure of their escape.

few weeks I was persuaded to prolong my visit far sa the depth of the water and the lay of the land are concerned, the Bosphorus resembles much the layer of forty design and the layer of the country, but the layer of forty design and the layer of the shores, layers have not been able to obliterate my fond years have not been able to obliterate my lond that those upon whom God designs to bestow his richest spiritual gifts must go up, as did Moses of old, to 'meet Him in the cloud.'

We sat for some time in silence after she closed, and then I asked, ' Did you ever see or hear from them after your departure?

'I never saw them again,' she replied, ' but we kept up a correspondence for a long time. Some years after the events I have related, a large estate in Scotland was left to them from a distant relative, and they returned to that country, and I have heard that they have been active in advancing every good work, both in their Canadian home and in that to which they have returned.

The accident to the train being remedied we resumed our journey, and I parted from my new friend at Toronto with sincere regret. Her wayside story had so impressed me that I transcribe it, hoping it may interest others as it did me, in which event my labor will be amply rewarned.

BISHOP MCINTYRE'S JOURNEY.

The Examiner continues: - ' As noticed in our last. the Right Rev Dr. Mointyre, Bishop of Charlotte town, colected for his return to Italy a different route from that by which he left. The following are jot tings on his journey from Jaffa to Constantinople:

We arrived from Jerusalem at Jaffa on the 28th of October, and secured a passage in one of the coasting steamers belonging to the ' Messagerie Imperials.' We sailed all night and arrived on the following day at Beyrout. Its population is about 80, 000, composed of Arabs, Turks. Maltese, Armenians. and English. It is the seaport of Damasous, which lies at the distance of a five hours' drive Goods are conveyed from one city to the other on the backs of camels and asses. Strange to say that with all its commerce and population, Reyrout has no whart at which even a coasting schooner can moor. Turkish rule is not favorable to the development of the rerestore the elasticity of her youthful spirits, a sources of such places. Unacrupulous Pachas levy immense taxes for local improvements, but the improvements are nowhere to be seen. On Sunday and on the Feast of All Saints, we went ashore to bear Mass, and made the acquaintance of the Jesuit and Lazzrist Fathers, who have communities here.
The churches are small, and in no way remarkable. The streets are narrow and very unclean while the people we saw were, besides being ragged and slovenly, imbued with an unconquarable mania for begging. The Sisters of Charity have a house here.

On the evening of A I Saints we set sail, and came on the next morning to Tripoli, a small place about half the size of Charlottetowo. Like Beyront, Tri poli is only a shipping port of a large Arab town which lies inland. The products of the country, or I set out with my little treasures the next rather such of them as were shipped with us, consisted of cotton, woo!, grain, and dye-stuffs. In all the villages along the Syrian cosst, and in many parts of the interior, American Methodia's have stations, and are indefatigable in establishing schools We stayed eight hours only in this little place, and gentleman who had charge of us was out looking arrived next at the ancient Lacdicea The same routine of toking in merchandise had to be gone though here as at the other towns. It is the sea port of Aleppo on the west side, as Alexandretti is on the east. The ruins of a triumphal arch are to be seen on shore. It was erected by Septimus Severus, and is adorned with armoral representations in basso relievo.' On a lofty bill not far from the shore, we saw the remains of what had once been a very large custle-its towers and battlements were still clearly traceable. It is said to have been built by the Crusaders. Some hundreds of Arabs here as as deck passengers. Their babits rendered them by no means agreeable companions.

'Twelve hours steaming brought us to Alexandretti. The shore is studded with rules. Now and then you perceive the massive proportions of marble pillars rising up boldly from the debris around them. Two large pillars standing on a lonely portion of the coast were pointed out as marking the spot where the whale put Jouah safely ashore. The last place we visited on the Syrian shore was Mercine, a small but rich town whose traders are chiefly Europeans and Greeks. In its immediate vicinity are the ruins the runs of many places, which, in their day, were cities of importance in history; but now they are almost embedded in sand. No one on board seemed to know even their names. It is a melancholy moral to write over the proudest of man's works, and even over himself—Oblivion Rhodes was our next place to call. In the Days of the Crus-ders it was famous and the city still bears many traces which serve to revive the memory of those christian knights. The most remarkable is 'La rue des Chevaliers,' along which on lofty pillars are carved the shields and Crusaders. The town is surrounded by a strong wall washed by the deep sea, and still without a wharf. Greeks in their 'caiques' came alongside offering for sale fruits, wine, milk, etc. They are an athletic, intelligent looking race of men; but they After some time I went back to the happy have, even at the present day, the character of being most say, the virgilian axiom times Danaos et

dons ferentes ' 'From Rhodes our route lay through the Grecian agitation of the scene, we set about concerting Archipelago to Smyrns. On either hand lay famous measures for breaking the joyful news to his lalands celebrated in history from their connection with statesmen, warriors, posts and learned men. -Almost direct in our course lay Polmos, where St. John wrote the Apocalypse. It is now deserted and uninhabited.

On arriving at Smyrns, we visited the Ecclesiastical authorities. The Bishop had taken his departure for Rome. Smyrna differs in this respect from other oriental cities, that it is clean and its inhabitants both in dress and address bear marks of high culture young mother when she received her children, The bazaars are all under one roof, and there are who had been dead, but were alive again; had offered for sale all kinds of merchandize that can be We here left the steamer which had brought us from Jopps, and embarked on another belonging to the even attractive; the marts and shops are well laid same company, bound for Constantinople. During transport in the same edifying spirit, and with the night we past many islands, and at day light many soft and tender ejaculations of the grati- sighted Lemnos, and in au bour after Tenedos rose rose on our right, to our left lay the coast of Troy. I leave you to fancy how the sight of these places never for one moment occurred to the minds of greatest 'care and wos' was the preparation of our the navents, and in the confusion and darkness of tasks in Homer and Virgil. At four o'clock, of the the shipwreck scene on the coast, their recovery afternoon, we were sailing through the Dardanelles, and arrived at Gillipoli with day-light sufficient to sinew. We left it during night, and sailing through

> 'This Stamboul of the Turks is certainly a great city. Its commerce must be vast. Upwards of one

that on either side rises a town about eighteen miles years have not been able to an and have only long of the Macphersons, and have only long of the most magnificent description. The landlords and tenance. They have shaped the forther or three cases of this kind, now the dwellings of the most magnificent description. The served to engrave more deeply on my heart the dwellings of the most magnificent description. The lessons 1 learned from them, and my conviction view brought to my recollection the lower town of Quebec and Sillery Cove. In Constantinople itself the Franciscan, Lazarist and Jesuit Fathers have Churches. On the most elevated parts stand the Mosques. Among these St Sophia, which if you except St. Peter's and St Paul's Churches in Rome, is certainly the grandest temple that I have ever seen. The Turks were at their worship when we visited it. The commerce of the city seems flourish ing, but the streets are very narrow and very dirty. Among the clergymen here, we met Monsignor Ararian and some others of your old college friends in Rome, who made the kindest enquiries regarding you. These, however, were not the first of your old friends we met At Trip lo we met with M. Chourri, who accompanied Sir Robert Peel in his travels through the East. He is unquestionably a man of rare accomplishments. Everypody seemed to know him and be know everybody. He is master of the Hebrew, Syriac, Chaldaic. Arabic, Turkish and English languages. His enquiries after you were most kind. Again, at Smyrns, a most accomplished clergyman gave in his card, with the request that I would present it to you. His name is Timori, and I cannot help congrafulating you on your choice of companions in your college days, for a more perfect set of gentlemen I have seldom met.

On the thirteenth we propose visiting Scutari and Chalcedon, both famous places in their way, and on the following day we start for Rome via Athens, Messina, and Naples,

THE LAND QUESTION OF IRELAND. (FROM TIMES FPECIAL COMMISSIONER.)

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BELFAST, Nov. 27.

The railway from Londonderry to Coleraine skirts the shores of Lough Foyle for a considerable distance and runs along a narrow belt of land at the foot of ranges which at one time were evidently cliffs that overlooked the sea. Here, as at many points on the coast of England, the gradual receding of the waters has left a tract open to the industry of man, and farms and enclosures, with villages between, rise on spots that had once been wastes of the ocean. The husbandry along these reclaimed spaces, though good on the whole, was not remark able, and certainly would not bear comparison with that of the Lincolnsbire Fens - a district not alto gether dissimilar. Before reaching Coleraine we lest sight of the ses, and, printing southwards, made for the borderland which, watered by the stream of the Bann, the great boundary between Eastern and Western Ulater, divides the counties of Londonderry and Antrim. We soon passed into a pleasant country of low eminences and undulating plains. This seems rather a feature of Ulater; and the landscape began by degrees to improve and to wear a rich and more fruitful aspect as we advanced further into the interior. I saw very few country seats; but, in several places, extensive fields, clean cut hedgerows, and fine steadings showed that the land had been thrown into large farms and here and there small tracts re minded you of the agriculture general in the Scottish Lowlands. This was, in a special manner, the case in the neighbourhood of one or two of the thriving towns which we sped by rapidly on our way; the diffusion of capital from these centres has evidently had the effect in some measure of breaking up the system of petty holdings. Yet seven-eighths of the country, probably, I went through is still occupied in this way; and, though I saw many ill drained fields, and irregular fences were conspicuous, the farming was, on the whole, good, and reat dwellings, well-whitew saked wals, and, occarionally, trim plots and gardens marked the presence of a flourishing peasantry. Arthur Young, the advocate of the large farm school, condemned in emphatic terms the agriculture of this part of Ulster in his time; but probably even that bandid writer was not altogether free from prejudice; nor can it be doubted that it has not only improved enormally since bis day, but that it is still one of the mainsprings of the comparative opulence of the province. After passing through many miles of this scenery, we came once more on the line of the sea and, burrying along a tract covered with villas, and other evidences of wealth, between Belfast Lough and the ridge of

Divis, we were soon within the capital of Ulster. Belfast, the centre of the linen trade of Ulster, and the chief place for the export of the manufacture, is the most flourishing town I have seen in Ireland. Dublin, balf a capital and balf a seat of commerce, has a magnificent yet rather a slovenly appearance; Cork has a look of long settled wealth, but not of daring and brilliant industry. Compared with either, Belfast is what Glasgow and Greenock are to Edichurgh, what Leeds and Birmingham are to Bristol-s spot where new wealth and enterprise have rapidly made a noble creation, and are eclipsing the more stationary growths of older and more slow civilization. The town, built on the banks of the Lagan, where it opens into its fice estuary, was possibly of very ancient origin, but it owes its first rise to a Huguenot colony, which, after the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, planted on what was then a desolate morass the germs of a manufacture that had thriven in their bands along the slopes of the Loire and the Seine. Yet the settlement of the exiles was not very successful; and Belfast in the days of Arthur Young was a town of some 15,000 souls only, which, though known for its linen fabrics, and already possessing an increasing trade, was probably not a third the size of Cork. A circumstance not without interest to a student of the Land Question of Ireland is said to have afterwards given a sudden impulse to the prosperity of the place, and to have launched it upon the path of progress. Belfast had previously been under the tulelage of the Donegal family, but towards the close of the last century it was emancipated from the restraints of short leases. the Lord Donegal of that generation having granted a number of perpetuities, and what hitherte had been a mere county town grew speedily into the capital of a province. The rest was done by the gradual concentration of the linen manufacture into a few spots, and by the improvements made in the machinery; and at present Belfast is not only the second city in Ireland in population, but it excels all the cities of the island in the signs of flourishing wealth and industry. The architecture of the houses in the principal streets is particularly good, and out and gay; and the busy haunts of the citizens' toil lead to retired terraces and villas, occasionally admirably planned and decorated. The chief features of Belfast, hewever, are the rows of shipping that the factories below-the material proofs of the energy and skill which have given the place its deserved beauty; but you miss, as usually is the case in these massive tower, and commanding the landscape on very side.

Bolfast is situate on the confines of Antrim and Down, which almost separated into a distinct county

in a great degree upon the same type as it has done in Fermanagh and Londonderry in Antrim and Dawn the invading colonists became a class of protures of the whole community, and here, as else where, they gradually extended to the vanquished aboriginal race the benefits of the kindly usages which had been formed in their mutual relations. The result has been considerable social progress, the diffusion of civil zation and wealth, and, with rare exceptions, general tranquillity. The domination of Profestant ascendency, though as evident here as in the south of Ireland, has been less pernicious in its effects; and industry, comparatively protected and secure, has resped successfully its accumulated harvests, and covered the land with the sign of progperity. In one particular Antrim and Down are to be distinguished from the r at of the province-they are the Lancashire and Yorkshire of Ireland; in these parts of the island alone manufactures have really thriven and expanded. This potent influence has, of course, had an effect on the agriculture of the counties, which in some places is exceedingly fine; yet, strange to say, that offect hes not corresponded to what has occurred in England Manufacturing capital has only elightly disturbed the system of emal form husbandry which still prevails in Antrim and Down, and though it has led to the creation of some large farm ; its principal operation as yet, has been to cause the prices of small holdings, protected by the custom of Ulster, to rise considerably through the growth of general opulence. As might have been expected, Antrim and Down are in a special manner progressive counties; the agricultural area of both bus enlarged, unlike what has usually happened in Ireland, and the value of their live stock has been greatly augmented; and this, too, coincides with a decline of population, exceedingly small, if both the counties are taken together, and with a system of relatively small farms though for obvious reasons, I do not lay much stress on the fact in these instances. 'the wages of agricultural labour as was to be supposed, are high in these counties- say from 7s. to 10s. a week; and the rent of land, if we consider only the return that accrues to the landlord and exclude the burden of the Tenant Right, ap peared to me to be at a low average - say from 153 to 40s. the Irish acre. It may be observed that in these counties, regard being had to their great progress, rents have advanced comparatively less since the days of Arthur Young than they have in many other parts of the island; and the same observation as far as I can judge applies to most of the districts of Ulster. I cannot doubt that this slow increase is connected with the usage of Teaant Right, which practically fastens a second rent on land, though it is surprising how much less the effect of the usage in this respect is than pure political economy would The land system of Antrim and Down, considered

on the side of the occupiers only, resembles that of Fermanagh and Londonderry, and, indeed, of almost the whole of Ulster. Exactly as is the case in the South, the tecancies are, for the most part, at will and, with honourable exceptions, what has been done on the land, has been done by the tenunts, not by their lords; but, differing from the Soub, a power ful custom usually assures the tenant's claims, and gives him a real interest in his holding, entirely disthat from the precarious possession, depending merely upon acquiescence, which alone protects the tecant of the South, apart from agrarian terrorism and crime, considerable as may be his moral rights. It is, however, perhaps a distinctive feature of the land system of Antrim and Down that, in consequence probably of their comparative wealth, which still runs mainly into the land, the average value of the Tenant Bight in these counties is exceedingly great; it is soldom less than seven or eight years' rent, an have heard of instances in which it has risen to 20 and 25 years' rent-from 301. to 401, the Irish scre. Yet though the Right has thus encroached on the fee simple in this serious manner, and has eaten it out in several estates, whatever their owners may imagine, here, as elsewhere, landlords as a rule endeayour to set restrictions on it, and, notwithstanding its enormous value I am disposed to thick that the general tendency of society is to impair and curtail it. Nevertheless, the custom is still extremely stro g . In spite of the extraordinary confusion of interests in the ownership of land which is its result, and of the misunderstandings, jars, and conflicts which we might suppose would flow from this, it still practically works tolerably well; still, in an overwhelm ing majority of instances, has all the force of a local law; still usually gives the tenant recurity, and usually maintains his fair rights of property. I pro-ceed to add something to previous remarks on the Right sustained by this singular custom, which, as I have said corresponds partly with the unprotected equities of the tenant of the South, in nature characteristics, and existing status Even when the Right is not actually infringed, the circumstance that it is not sanctioned by law has a marked effect on landed relations, and if it gives the tenant security, it also tends to make him somewhat dependent. Law being wholly on the side of the landlord, it being is his power, in a legal point of view, to abridge and even extinguish the Right, the tenant, however protested by the custom, feels that he is in some measure at the mercy of his superior; and this sentiment increases in proportion to the interest assured by the Right in his holding. A man who has paid 201. an acre for a farm legally a mere tenancy at will has bound himself in a heavy recognizance to obey the injunctions of a landlord, who cap, if he pleases, destroy his property; he is pleaged more or less to submission from the consciousness of what authority may inflict. And though the custom is strong enough to secure the tenant in the great mass of cases, and though it has made him a free man compared to his fellow in the South, it does not save him from his sense of subjection; and Tenant Right, unrecognized by law, has been found to be a powerful instrument to uphold the landlord's influence. This has repeatelly been shown in elections and other political contests; and though I would not exaggerate the matter, for the legitimate power of landed property is still exceedingly great in Ulster, and the position of the tenant farmer of the North is not that of a more dependent, it may be said that Tenant Right as it is, although not under the protection of the State, but affected thousands of Uister votes.

It is obvious, too, that Tenant Right in its existing state contains the germs of serious and even perilous dissension, though the custom usually prevents their appearance. A landlord, influenced by the law and its interests, is apt to consider the Right as a parasite from which his estate ought to be set free; a tenant, looking from an opposite point of view, thinks of the Right as of a most sacred property-in all respects a part ownership in the soil. Their notions accordingly may conflict, and law be ing on the side of the landlord, he is tempted to carthrong the quays, and the oblimneys tooring from ry out his ideas, and to assail or weaken the tenant's position, though, as I have said, as a general rule, the custom prevents injustice or discord. Occasionrenown. A few of the churches are not without ally, however, some wrongheaded person will violate the usage even directly; and I have been informed modern centres of civilized life, the glory of the of instances within Antrim and Down in which Ten-mediaval city, the spire high above the square ant Right has been practically annulled, by a raising of rent inconsistent with it, or by eviction without compensation. When such cases occur, the serious mischlef of leaving the Right in its actual condition tecomes strikingly and painfully apparent. The by Louga Neagh and the line of the Bann, form the | tenant's property is inevitably confiscated, for his eastern division of the province of Ulater. This Right-which is the opinion of the country, is a magnificent tract, in ancient times the land of the valuable interest, and, in numberless Instances, has

times, this la because such doings are so rate, and general opinion so condemns them, that their evil inthree cases of this kind, nay, even the rumours of such cases, have the effect of creating great discontent; and had I not witnessed such things in the South, fishoold have been surprised at the evidences l have met of disserinfection among Northern farmers who actually had little or nothing to complain of yet felt themselves injured because the Tenant Right of some distant equal may have been invaded. Not a few of these man have declared to me that ther felt insecure, that their Tenant Bight was an inadequate protection; that they, too, had a real grieva co, and differing as the great majority do from the corresponding class in the South, they sympathize with them on the Land Question. though agrarianism is unknown among them, they bave, I think, a kind of idea that indirectly they profit by it; nor can it be forgotten with reference to this, that this part of Ulster has been the scene of one of the worst outbreeks of agrarian crime that ever hes been witnessed in Ireland. A direct vio-lation of Tenant Right caused the Hearts of O.k" and the "H arts of Stee," to spring up in bundreds io Antrim and Down; and many competent persons have declared that the spirit then roused could be aw-kezed again. It is evident, therefore, that Tenant Right, the

grand security of the tenant of Ulster, and the only guarantee of rights and property supposed to be worth 20 000,000L, cannot be allowed to remain as it is, repudiated by law, and upheld only by strong yet not invincible custom and that to do so would be fraught with mischief. How to reconcile the claims created by the Right with the maintenance of the just rights of ownership will certainly be a not easy task. One obvious solution would be to empower the occupiers of estates bound by the Right to purchase the absolute fee-sumple, and the experiment might be fairly tried in cases where it could be effected by mutual agreement between the parties interested; but as it would be unjust in the extreme to make such a proceeding compulsory, the remedy could be only partial, and one more general must be devised. Another suggestion would assimilate estates bound by the Right to manors subject to copyhold tenures, and would declare that, wherever the Right existed, a tenant should be entitled to hold his land according to the conditions of the custom This, it will be observed, would amount only to a distinct legal recognition of the custom, and would have no analogy to "Fixity of Tenure; it would restrict the deminion of the landlord only where usage and justice restrict it now; and it would leave him the right of raising rent and of evicting a tenant besides, save only where the custom now intervenes. This scheme, however, would generally be too advantageous to the tenant, for it would give the sanction of positive law to claims now very differently upheld; and as the custom is very varying, and perhaps, is on the whole declining, it would invoke perplexing inquiries, and in some cases might prove very detrimental. Another proposal would commute, after a full and impartial investigation, the value of the Right into lesses for terms equivalent to its worth, thus, in part, following the copyhold analogy, yet gradually getting rid of the custom, and bringing the land under common law tenures. This scheme is also liable to objections; but I am bound to say that, although in Fermanagh, where the value of the Tenant Right is not great, I found opinions concur in its favour, it was otherwise in Londonderry, Down and Antrim, where the value of the Tenant Right is sometimes enormous. In Down and Antrim several farmers assured me they would not exchange their Tenant Right for a lease less than a perpetuity in substance; and if you reflect that these men felt that they had an interest in their holdings that would sell for, perhaps, 20 years' purchase, their pretensior s are not wholly extravagant, even though they will admit that the force of the custom does not give them complete security.

The landed system of Down and Antrim, and, indeed, of the greater part of Ulster, considered upon the side of ownership, corresponds in most important points with that of the other three provinces The owners are for the most part Protestants; there is a good deal of absenterism, and, with con-Drilliant exceptions, the improvements effected upon the soil, as is natural under the amali form system, have been made by the tenante, not the landlords. This state of things has not been altogether unattended by mischief, but, owing to the existence of Tenant Right and the moral sympathy that still knits the landed classes largely together, this has been little to what is to be found in the South. No all spreading line of demarcation runs between the owners and occupiers of the soil; there is little perilone clashing of interests; and though Tenant Right is not thought secure, and a Land Question has grown up, there is an absence of grave social disorder, and landed property still has immesse unfluence. In one particular I have been struck by a distinction of no little significance. In going through the North I heard some complaints of a preference shown to Protestant tenants as such . campared to Roman Catholics; but this did not seem to provoke the irritation that a few similar instances did in the South. Nor is the reason difficult to discover. As a rule the Roman Catholic tenant of Ulater has precisely the same customary rights in point of tenure as the Protestant, and this very circometance largely excuses what is usually a more social predilection, felt to be in some measure reasonable. In the second place, what is more important, the Roman Catholic tenant of the North knows that he belongs to an order inferior in power; and be does not resent any slight as keenly as his equal to the rest of Ireland does where Catholicism predominates among the occupiers of the soil. Just in the same way, the Roman Catholics of England are not really hostile to the English Church; the Itieh Roman Catholics united to a man to overthrow the Irish Establishment.

IRISH INTELLIGENCE,

Conversion - Captain D. J. Barkley was received into the Catholic Church on Wednesday, the 22ad nit. by the Rev. Michael Gogerty, Administrator of Mulitugar.

On Sunday the Rev. Thomas Quin, the parish priest of Inagh and Kilnamona, in Olare, nine miles from Ennis, west into his garden after mass and was observed by the clerk to fall suddenly. Instant essistance was given, but the rev. gentlemen was found insensible. He was at once brought into the sucrist; which he had only left a lew minutes before, and expired almost immediately, to the coneternation of numbers who were present to witness the sad scane

THE IMPRISONED FRAIANS. - Mr. Callan, the member of Parliament for Dundalk, announces his intention of demanding a Parliamentary investigation into the condition of the imprisoned Fenians.

The ! Sligo Champion' of a late date says : - At a time when the London journals and their Irish correspondents are representing this country to be in a most lawless state, it is gratifying to hear from the Obsirms of this county—who ought to be a good authority upon the subject—that the calendar for this district of the county presents no cases of importance.

COURT OF QUEEN'S BENCH .- THE QUEEN VS. BAR-The glad tidings soon spread through all the hundred steamers belonging to all nations lay in O'Neils and other Celt's tribes, was subjected and been made a subject of lawful disposition—is destroy. RETT—The hearing of the arguments for and against settlements, and the house was through dearly the harbor, besides other ships of heavy tounder the power of the Orown in the reigns of ed by a perversion of law; and all the improvements the motion to change the venue for the trial of the

prisoner in this case, which were commenced on princes, were resumed on Saturday morning. When the case was called on Mr. Heron, QO, addressed the Court, with the object of showing that dresses and intimidation bad not prevailed in Gal way during the trial of Peter Barrett, ful baring shot at, with intent to kill, Captain Thomas Eyre Lambert, to such an extent as to render it recessary to change the venue. Mr. M. Dermost followed on the same side. Sergeant Dowse then one to reply on behalf of the Crown. He referred at length to on neught which had been read on both sides in reference to the state of feeling alleged to exist amongst the people of Galway previous to and dur ing the trial of the prisoner and dwelt upon the comparatively convincing statements contained in those made by the persons who were desirous of having the venue changed. By complying with the application made, the Court would do no injustice to the prisonar, but would be holding a fair balance between the Crown and bim, and doing right as be

As from 1848 to Langue) was his was will

tares man and man. The motion was granted The Free Press' says : - We are assured on the authority of a letter from Mr. Danis O ulfind Haron, d'o' that in the exent of the quantification of O'Donovan Roses by Parliament to represent Tip-O'Donovan to represent Fip-perary in the Senate, he will come, of himself and perary in the electors of the county to place him in the position which but a few months ago they invited him to occupy.

On the 11th u't, the official investigation of the late Dram sloor murder was opened hefore Wr O'Don nell, R M, at Cavan jail. Rev. Partick Daly, C C, gave evidence of all be knew of the anvage onslaught by the Orangemen. He, however could not identify any of those who fired shore, though he distinctly beard a man on the bank above him shout D your souls, lord again !' The 'Ang.o Gelt' says the laggiry has been brought to a close, and that one of the pisoner has been fully identified by two witnesses as the man who fired the shot, that killed John Mor'os.

At a late Orange gathering at Clones, county Monaghan, to sympathics with Captain Madden on his dismissal from the magistrany there were lustily given three growns for Lord Chancellor O'Hagan, and Mr. Secretary Wortescue!' In the address pre-Bented to Capt. Madden, bis admirers said : Under ron wise guidance, and rallying under that noble flag which had never been nafurled but in victory. we wil assuredly, with God's blessing, make our foes surrender and lick the dust as their ancestors did on the walls of Derry, the fields of Enniskillen and Newtownbutler, the plains of Anghrim, and the classic banks of the ever memorable Boyne.

The Limerick 'Obronicle' of a late date says :-Mre. Fallon, of Cabra Castle near Thurles, bas given instructions to her agent, John O. Cornwall, Esq., to torgive-all the arrears due on her large ce-From three to six years' rept was due This benevolent lady has also distributed £:00 worth of blackets and clothing amongst the poor living on her property

The Dublin Corporation have, in a large assembly of Council, adopted the resolutions of the North Dublin guardians in reference to a Roy I Residence and National Parlisment. The cry of attributing motives to the guardians who originated the movement was feebly raised, but it was smothered by the decisive action of the Council on the subject.

THE ARMY IN BELLAND -According to a calculation in the 'Globe' it appears that the army in Ire land is now stronger by nearly 4 500 men than it was in April last. Of the troops then serving in Ireland 2,315 men had been withdrawn by the lat of the present mouth-namely, the 39th Regiment, and the 3nd Battalion of the 4th and 9th Regiments. On the other hand, since April 1869, there have been sent to this country the lat Drego in Guards, the 8th Hussars, one Battalion of the 20th, one of the 22nd. the 30th, 40th, 43rd. 47th, 68th, and 70th Regiments -in all 6.618 The military fora, therefore, at present in this kingdom is stronger by 4 303 than it was on the 1st of April, 1869. -Irish Times.

On the 12th alt , a meeting of the Council of the Irish Tenant League was held in the committee rooms, Henrietts etreet Datlin. Mr. Tristram Kennedy occupied the chair. A resolution was adopted to the effect that the League 'will not be satisfied with less than the realization of the principles embodied in their programme, ' security of tenure and fair rents. Mr. Bitt, in his address, said 'He measure will be satisfactory which in the slightest degree infringed upon the in tegrity of the o'd Ulater tenant-right; and he believed that nothing which fell short of that would do any good to the Manarer tensatry. The King of Prussis when once asked by his people for freedom. said. 'Do you know what freedom means?' and the answer of one of the people was, 'It means a gan and a vote.' The tenant-right of Ulster menat a gun and a vote; and not all the troops of her Majesty's army could keep the peace in Ulster if tenant right

was broken down.' PROSELTTISM BY KIDNAPPING .- This day at sleven o'clock (says the 'Ga way Vindicator' of January 8), the mother and the four children recovered from the proselytizing influences of the Rev Mr Kilbride, of Arran, appeared in this office. The Rev. Father Corbett, the indefatigable C. C. of Arran, to whose exertions the rescue is mainly due, was present -The rev. gentleman sent invitations to the following nagistrates; Messrs James Campbell, R. N. Bomer rills, B O'Flaherty, George Morris and Thomas Kyne. July the latter J P attended. There were besides of Thomas Kyne, Messrs James Martyn, H U; Anlrew O'Connor, T J Connolly, F Ward, John Wade. to, etc. The four children who appeared delighted o be with their mother, are respectively aged : Mary ion Simpson, 14; Margaret Clancy. 12; John llancy, 8; Martin Clancy, 6. Their replies to the arious interrogatories put to them were most intelgent. When taken from Arran they were sent to for that means. They said that only on Fridays sy got meat, and that refusul to take most was a use of punishment. They were a year with Mrs sadleton when they were sent to Cork to the house a Bible Reader named M Carthy, where they realned a year and a half. Here they were hard nked, and travelled a mile and a half to school ery day barefooted. They were then transferred Wicklow to the house of a Mrs Perris, and when was known their mother was coming to claim am, they were taken back to Mrs Pendleton's in iblia. The elder girl said that every persussion sused with her to make her refuse to go with her ther-telling her she was old enough to marry, in, etc. The children all positively asserted that tept on Sundays, they were continually barefooted. youd some hymns they have nothing committed to mory. In fact, from examination, it was quite dent their education had been sadly neglected lidren of the same age in the workhouse are far re advanced in their education These children, rever, are very intelligent and seem happy in ing escaped from perverts. The Rev. Father bett is entitled to claim credit for having effected result. His interesting charge are to emigrate t week. He has already got some substantial hat he requires far more. The poor mother did the could to get her children sent to her before ing America. She went to the British Consul, all the authorities, and having failed, undertook journey herself. During her time in America sent money on several occasions for her children, did not, on departing from Arran, leave them rovided for. With the able and zealous assistof Father Corbett she has performed a very ic act. It is sincerely to be hoped the public generously assist Father Corbett in sending this interesting family to a home in the West, where any of their country people have found a refuge a resource.

Another agrarian outrage has been committed in the county Mayo, resulting in the combing and ing. 'parding' on the head and face and parts of the body f a man n med Higgins, who, it is said, offered to take a quantity of land; at an increased rent, over the heads of a number of the tenantry of Mr. T. A. McDonnell, J.P. of Westport. The lease of the farme had fallen out and the landlord had got them surveyed and was determined to raise the ren's. This the tenants objected to, and notices to quit were served on them. Higgins, meantime, went to Mr. McDonnell, and offered to take the land and houses of those people at any rent the landlord pleased to n-me. The indignation of the people was immedistely aroused and on Sunday night the house of Biggins was surrounded by a large party of men, and he was taken out of his bed by force, without even getting time to dress himself, and after being corried a short distance away from his residence, be was 'combad' and 'carded' on the head and face, and on different parts of the body bis face, and, indeed, wherever the 'cord' was applied was greatly

MYSTERIOUS AFFAIR -A rather unaccountable occurrence is reported to have taken place in the city on Saturday night or Sanday morning Between twelve or one o'clock a man of respectable sppearance was observed careering down Prince's street at top-speed pursued by seven or eight persons The strongly commented upon in the tenant-right journais ugitive made for the patrol which was in the vicinity, on seeing which his pursuers made as hasty a retreat down George's street. The man is said to have claimed the protection of the police from the assassine, but before the constables could act in any way on his request he resumed his pace, and was immediately out of sight. - Cork Examiner.

The inhabitants of Oork have agreed to accept the Givernment offer of two abips for the establishment of a-val industrial schools in that city.

The 'Daily Telegraph' is convinced that general eatisfaction will be felt at the news that the beads of measures to vindicate. law and decency against certain excesses in their own subordinates; and public opinion in England will frankly acknowledge that against the assassins, as against the Fenians, the popular Church in Ireland is doing what it should to keep the people right.

The Irish 'Times' mentions a rumour that, couequent on the arrangements now understood to have been completed with regard to the Irish law officers, the post of Judge advocate will be virtually abolished.

It is understood that, in the ensuing session, the Government will introduce a bill to enable the mem bers of any religious denomination in Ireland to borrow money from the Public Loan Commissioners for the purchase of glebes, the repayment of such loans to be, of course, secured by mortage on the glebes. This measure will give effect to a sort of promise made last year. - Scotsman.

The Irish Exhibition Palace was put up to public anction on the 31st ult., but no adequate offer being made the property was withdrawn. It cost £100-000, and the bighest bld made was £25 000. The late Government offered £48,000 for it, in order to found an Irish Institute of Arts and Manufactures, after the model of South Kensington Museum, but the chareholders thought it very illiberal.

The irquest on the body of Walsh, who was shot rt Shrule, near Tuam, terminated on Saturday in an open verdict. A niece of the murdered man deposed that he said it was 'one of the Morans' who shot him, and that another person was present when be made the statement. The witness alluded to was examined, and failed to confirm the niece's evidence. The two men were discharged from-custody They are said to bear good characters. The local papers corroborate the account of the attempt committed, on the same night as Walsh's murder, upon the life of Mr. Crotty, who had the crown of his hat blown off.

A MYSTERIOUS DEATH. - Our correspondent, writing from Ennison by, says:-The body of Mr John Moore, of Monaseed, situate near Gurey a highly respeciable gentleman farmer of this county, was found this morning on the Dublin and Werford Railway, neur Gorey station, shockingly mutilated, the train having passed over it near the neck. I hear Mr. Moore's watch and money were missing from his person when the body was discovered, and that the unfortunate gentleman was partially intoxicated on Monday evening, wher two men in the town of Gorey I also understand that deceased's clothes were dry when he was found, although Monday night was very wet which proves the body could not have been long on the railway. Strong suspicious of robbery and murder have arisen from the circumstances connected with the melan-choly death of this highly respected gentleman. An inquest will be held on the body to-day .- Freeman of Friday.

SAD AFFAIR IN COUNTY DOERGAL .- A sad affair is sported from county Donegal, by which a man named Love, lost his life, leaving a wife and nine children to bewall his untimely end. The circumstances are as follows: - Three young men, M. Clay, Calvin, and Gorman, were out with guns and dogs, and happened to be crossing Love's land Love's dog ran out, and began to fight with M'Oley's. M'Clay rid them as best he could, and chased Love's dog home, while Gormon held his. Meanwhile, Love came running in great fury, gathering stones on his way, and struck M'Olay's dog on the head, killing him, as they thought, and letting his dog on him again. M'Clay made a thrust of the gun at him to push him back off the dogs, and, as he chanced to stoop at the time, the fore part of the thrust came on the open of his head. M Clay, in a state of distraction, carried him home and ran for Dr. Heslett, who called in Dr Pope, but no earthly power could save the man's life His informations were taken, and M'Olay is in Bridewell. Love lingered on till Saturday when he rs Pendleton's, in Dublin, whom they described as died. Great sympathy is felt for both the Loves and decretary of the Island and Coast Society, what-M'Clays being respectable on both sides. It is feared the roung man will lose his reason. Those parties all live about three miles from Donegal .- Derry Journal.

The London ' Morning Post' [Jan. 4] observes that there is no doubt that the power of the priesthood in Ireland is not what it was, and the altered state of the sentiments of some of their flock has had the effect of inducing the Catholic clergy of Ireland to throw in their lot with that of the Government. The policy of the present Administration has strengthened that inclination to a degree which would have been impossible under a Conservative Government, hampered with an Irish Church and with the support of the Orange Brotherhood; and as it is possible that the Conservatives will one day return to office, it should be a satisfaction to them to joyed the reputation of being rich in gold. reflect that English stateamen, between their repudiation of a Protestant minority on the one hand, and Fenianism on the other, are gradually attracting the sented to the House of Commons, will show a priestbood, the gentry, the educated classes, and the diminution of about 10,000 combatants from the people over whom the priests retain their influence, to the support of the Constitution.

FEARPOL RAILWAY ACCIDENT .- The Clones correspondent of the Freeman, writing on the night of the 7th ult , reports a lamentable accident on the Irish ordinary morning train from Clones to Cavan had each battery, or by the reduction of entire bat-North-Western Billway It appears that when the reached Belturbet junction some shrinting had to be done, and a young man named Kelly, whose duty it is to see to this part of the business, went between the waggons for the purpose of 'hoeking' them. When he was in the act of coming out his toot slipped, and he was precipitated among the wheels, which young man being present When he was carried in. of guests, the sele necessary credentials being a sre more like addresses than prayers strictly so-callto the station he said quite sensibly, 'Mother, don't provious conviction.' After the supper the men ed. They were very langthe and a state of the supper the men ed. to the station ne said quite sensiony, mother, done is mortality, leave me; have me carried up home; I'm nearly were addressed, prayers offered up, and hymns sang. second effusion I notised the least demonstrative of hospitals,

over.' The mother's grief was something heartrend-

THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE-

MR BRIGHT ON THE LAND QUESTION .- On Tuesday night the three members for Ricmingham addressed a crowded meeting of their constituents in the Town Hail. Mr. Prim, Mayor, presided. Mr. Bright, who was received with repeated outburs's of cheers, after some preliminary remarks, proceeded to speak of the Irish land question, and delivered himself in the following terms, which we give verbalim : - The land question is a very awkward question. I have often travelled along a road and seen a bill a mile off that looks very steep, and I wished I. was on the other side of it, but, on coming to the foot of the bill, the slope appeared much more gradual, and I get over it without the difficulty I authorsaid. Now, the Irish land question is not at all that sort of a question - (Bear, bear, and cheers.) It has looked to me a difficult question for twenty years, for during all that time I have bad it before me, and I have considered it, and I am, I will say, if you like, modest enough to confess that when I get nester the question, and endeavour to discover how it is to be ealt with, it appears to be steeper and more difficult than it ever did before.

Some circumstances have transpired in connexion with the case of Kiss Gardiner, who was recently fired at in the county of Mayo, which have been At the last Sessions of Ballina the lady appeared in court with her face bandaged to prosecute ejectment proceedings which are supposed to have led to the outrage. In the course of her examination it appeared that since she came into possession of the property, 13 years ago she had been in the habit of serving notices to quit every half-year, in order that she might have full control over her tenants. In October, 1868, she gave up the practice, as being too troubie. some, and then made an agreement with them that they should hold from year to year, and for one year only. She sought to eject two tenants named Jordan, and a third named Howard. In the latter case the the Catholic Church in Ireland have taken energetic | defendant in the ejectment had gone to America leaving his brother and his mother, a very old woman, in possession as joint tenants. Thay both produced the receipt for the last half-year's rent made out in her name, but this was held not to con stitute her a tenant and a decree for possession was granted. The other case was warmly contested, and James Jordan the principal defendant, aware that he and his family had been on the land for more than 80 years; that they had built five houses upon it, fenced, drained, and improved it in various ways. and that 5001 would not compensate him for the loss of occupancy. He and the other defendants. who are both old men, were offered by Miss Gardiner a farm of 194 acres in another part of the setate, but they refused because, as they alleged, it had no house or fence, and was only a swamp. In this care also she obtained a decree. The publication of the reported facts has greatly dimmished the public inlignation and sympathy which the account of the attempt upon ber life excited .- Times Dublin Cor.

The 'Daily News' closes as article on I:lsb affairs with the striking words - 'Stopping short of any thing like a repeal of the Legislative Union, there is com for an arrangement which, while reserving imperial concerss to the Imperial Parliament, should leave purely local questions to be locally settled This statement is drawn from our contemporary by a Repeal agitation in a novel and corious form. 'An Irish and Scotch Bill (says the 'Dally News') thrust eside English legislation last Session.' The Union is become an inconvenience to England. It is octical justice, indeed, when the fostering of Irish ditficulties, for the enus of party government, recoils upon the anthers of that artifice, by preventing them rom looking after their own proper interests. The demand, we are told, is being made that England shall not be legislated for by a Scoto Irish majority in the House of Commons' The agreement to part legislative company would appear, therefore, to be leasing to both parties. The only question is as to the extent to which it should be carried. Without discussing that point at present with any object of close definition, we shall plainly say that we armosthise with the sentence in the 'Daily News,' that there is room for an arrangement which, while reserving Imperial concerns to the Imperial Parliament, should leave purely local assitions to be locally saitled!

At Coleraine quarter sessions a rather novel application was made by a juror to be excused from serving on the jury on the ground that he had 'reli ious qualms of conscience 'against condemning any human being,' temporally or spiritually.' The chairman felt surprise at the application, but respect ed the peculiar scraples of the juror, and excused

him from attending.
The Penians are not altogether inactive slthough they have recently been tather undemonstrative. The Newry Telegraph states that a bind of 500 men marched near Meigh, on Thursday night, with drums and files, to meet an expected body of Ribana men against whom they entertain hostile feelings arising out of the break up of the land meeting. A resident magistrate and a force of 50 police attended to prevent a collision. The Riband men did not appear.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Bombay 'Gazette' says that Sir Ratherford Alcock, in bidding adjeu to Prince Kung, was addressed by that functionary in these words: 'Now you are going home, I wish you would take away with you your opium and English missionaries.

The 'Army and Navy G zette' of the 15th instant contains the following important item - The troops now stationed in British North America will be with drawn during the present year. At Halifax alone a garrison will be retained at Imperial cost. A proposal has, however, been sent to all the colonies to allow Imperial troops to remain in each, provided all the contingent expenses are defrayed by the Colonial

The Report of Gold in Scotland is ones more forming a sensational paragraph in the newspapers, but the natives themselves seem slow to believe that there is a Ballarat in Inverness-shire. The story is an old one. In Queen Elibabeth's reign, when the search for precious metals was pursued with a keen ness and skill only paralleled in our own times, North Britain was no doubt carefully ' prospected. for we find that in January 1603, a grant of £200 towards the was male to Bevis Bulmer, Req., charges of discovering of some mines of gold in the realm of Scotland.' At to the produce of the goldfield the State papers are eilent, but to draw the attention of any embryo company to the fact that the Bill of Dan o-Deen in Aberdeenshire has always en-

The 'Army and Navy Gazette' says that it has been decided that the Army Estimates, when preexisting establishments. In the infantry the men of two companies per battal'on will be reduced, and the officers gradually absorbed. In the cavalry each squadron will be reduced by a few files. It is not certain whether the reduction to be made in the Artillery will be effected by reducing two guns from

The 'Standard' gives a long description of a ga thering of an interesting and unusual character, which took place on Wednesday evening in the New for some years been conspicuous for his labors previous conviction.' After the supper the men | ed. They were very lengthy, and at the end of this

The most perfect good order was maintained during | the 'roughs' put his hands in his pockets, and go the evening. From the commencement of the diggings till the

close of last month, it has been calculated that gold to the value of from £10,000 to £11,000 has been found at Kildonan. This calculation has been made by these who had an intimate knowledge of the number of people at work at the diggings, and of the success attending their labours, and may be taken, therefore as a close approximation to the truth. RITUALISM - 'Father' O'Neil, one of the London

preachers during the Twelve Day's Mission, delivered a sermon in the church of St. Earnabas, Oxford on St. Stephen's Day, in which he warmly advocated the Catholic doctrine of the invocation and intercergiog of saints After quoting and detailing several miracles worked by the body of St. Stephen about 440 A.D., he begged the congregation to pray to the saints and they would pray to God for them; for said the reverend father, the effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much; and he finally concluded by lamenting the loss of the shrines and relies of the saints which once existed in England but which was swept away at the ' Reformation the middle of his discourse the preacher clasped his hands together, and, raising his eyes to Heaven, in-Voked St. Paul, calling on him to intercede for him if he said anything amiss and to give him the power to express himself with readiness and fervour. Barnabas Church, in which the reverend gentleman officiated, was consecrated by the present Bisbop of Winchester so recently as October last, and it has aiready far outstripped in its extreme Ritualist gervices the most advanced of the churches served by the High Church in Oxford.

We [Tablet'] interrupt for one number our own examination of 'Janus' in order to introduce our readers to a little pamphlet by F Keogh of the London Oratory, entitled 'A few Specimens of Scien i fic History' from 'Janus." The learned Grasorian deals in no rhetoric, establishes no doctrine, defends no character, discusses no event of Roclesiastical history, but confines himself to an examination of twenty statements made by 'Janus.' We will quote only three or four of these :- Specimen V .- The radical principle with him' - te Innocent III - tas with Gregory, is that all rank and authority not held by priests is an incongruity in the Divine rian of the world, introduced through human folly and sinful ness; while the priesthood is, properly speaking, the sole ordinance and institution of God [o. 151] As the authority for this assertion we are referred to the following words of a letter of Innocent III. to King John in Rymer's 'Foriera': 'Institutum fuit sacerdotium per ordinationem divinam, regnum autem per extorsionem humanam ' Rymer's 'Food-ra' con'sins at the page and volume indicated a letter of Inno cent III. to King John, but no such words occur in it. The very words, however, do occur in an -ddress of the same Pope to the envoys of Philip of Swabia, but with a context which may perhaps enable us to appreciate the use which 'Jacus' has made of them. The Pope is contrasting the histories of the two powers in the Old Testament. He says: Both the kingdom and the priesthood were i stitured in the people of God, but the one through the extortion of man.' This of course is a mere statement of a fact of sacred history; and indeed, Innocent goes on to say : 'For concerning the priest bood, the Lord commanded Moses, saying 'Take unto thee also Aaron the brother, with his sons from among the children of Israel, that they may minister unto Me in the priest's office;' but concerning the kingdom, the Lord said to Samuel, ' Hearken to the voice of the people demanding a king, for they have not rejected thee, but Me, that I should not reign over them."

BRIGHT AND FENIANS. - On Mr. Bright's various Birmingham speeches we will only say that his em phatic declaration as to the wish of the G ver ment to show marcy to the Fedian prisoners if only they could do so without any breach of a higher duty th n any act of personal compussion could lay claim to, ought to make it pretty clear to Ireland how best the Irish people might facilitate the release of these unfortunate men. There is not a single member of the Administration,' said Mr. Bright, 'who would not be rejoiced, and who would not go to bed tonight with a happier beart, if he bad bran ablduring the day to determine that the prison doors should be unbarred.' Had the amnesty meetings expressed the people's sense of the mischief and eviof these futile insurrections, and promised cell on behalf of the prisone s for the future, they would be even now. As it was the lone laken compelled the Government, as Mr. Bright said, as guardians of public order to continue to punish men who were praised as martyrs instead of excused as more ignorant than guilty.

A London cerrespondent says -A few weeks ago Mr. O'Donovan Rossa, one of the Fenians now an lengoing imprisonment with hard labour at Chatham was elected member of Parliament for the County of Tipperary. Being a prisoner for 'treason felony.' as it is called, he cannot, of course, take his sent in the House. If the gentleman who was second in the poll Mr. Heron, should petition Parliament, O'Dono van Rossa's election would at once be declared null and void, and the petitioner would be declared duly elected. But for some reason or other he is not go. ing to do this, probably because it would make him very unpopular all over the country. It was only the other day that I became aware, after questioning an officer of the House of Commons, what would be the proceedings and forms taken under these cir comstances. It seems that directly after the meet ing of Parliament Mr. O'Donovan Rossa will be sum. moned to the bar of the House of Commons, and will be then and there informed by the Speaker that he cannot take his seat, and that being a prisoner for felony, the election is void. This ceremony must be gone through, and the appearance of a convict, in convict garb, will certainly be a novelty in the British There is little doubt but that we shall have a disturbance on that day, and that it will take many troops as well as policemen to protect the Houses of Lords and Commons. The Fenishs have got wind of the affair and are already preparing themselves.

THE WEEK OF UNIVERSAL PRAYER - A Broad Church Clergyman' communicates to the Daily News his experiences of the Prayer Meetings held at Freemasons' Hall during the first week of the year. After remarking on the smallness of the attendance, he says, -There were, of course, some details which, to one not accustomed to such gatherings, seemed a little incongruoss. Two very ill-clad 'roughs,' who were over-demonstrative with their Bibles, and, part ly so, with their prayers, and a pious policeman, who made a great parade of depositing his belimet, cape, &c., under a seat, were of the nature of 'effects' which could have been dispensed with; and we latitudinarian people cannot go along with the prayer which stigmatizes this world as a 'wretched,' 'rebellions ' revolted' world; or sympathize with the tone which sets down one party as the elect, and all others as 'select ministers of the devil.' Then, again, the singing was an odd mixture, beginning with 'O Salutaris hostis,' and wandering off into the Spanish chant. Over against this, however - which is, to some extent, a symptom of want of education of my part - there was just in front of me an old, simplelooking dissenting minister, with his threadbare coat and great gingham umbrells, who certainly was praying with all his migh', if ever man prayed. After the Hon, and Rev. Baptiste Noel, our 'devotions were led by a person, whose name the chairman mentioned confidentially to a few friends in Out. A reformed burglar, named Ned Wright, has front, and who prayed in a sentorian voice, and most unnecessarily, for 'ntterance-' He astonished me by passed over his body, mangling him in an awful among the outcasts of the district, and on Wedner-quoting largely from the Oburch of England Service, manner, and making the whole scene as harrowing day he invited about two hundred professed thieves and also from 'Keble's Ohristian Year,' in the course to mest him at a 'soup supper.' There was no lack of his prayer. These prayers, it should be mentioned,

quietly to sleep. Then followed an address by Dr. Jobson, President of the Wesleyan Conference. The address was practical enough in its way, but not of a character to impress one favourably with the movement as calculated to influence so laty at the Westend of Loadon, in the year of grace, 1870 One address which he heard was on 'Christian Union.' On this he remarks, I was very curious to observe how the subject of Obristian Union would strike the mind of a minister of the Established Church and of a body outside its pale respectively, and therefore attended both services Mr Aston, with questionable taste, and (as it seemed to me) unnecessary lack of esprit de corps, began by assuring us that he felt far more at one with Christians outside than loside the pale. He then plunged loto a wordy vapouring about the advantages of unity, carefully avoiding anything like definitions, and making more than what it was worth of the fact of the colours of the spec-trum blending into white light. He declared himself ready to be at one with all men, provided only-(alas! that saving clause!) provided only they were 'in Christ'—that is, provided they were of the speaker's own particular way of thinking I could not help wondering whether that dubious definition in Christ' would have included in Mr. Aston's embrace Dean Stanley Mr. Mackonochie, and Archbishop Manning. I trow not

THE PEAR DY ESTATE - A curious process 'ook nlace on Wonday in the Section House at Newington. Mr Peabody's third and last endowment in favour of the poor of the City of London comprising thirteen or fourteen acres at Stockwell bought of the London Chatham, and Dover Radway Company. Mr Peabody was never naturalized and, he ng an allen, was incapable of purchasing or bolding land, and result of the investigation on Monday was that the property was decided to have lapsed to the Grown, which of course immediately re- transfers it to the Peabody trustees.

UNITED STATES

A PROTESTANT CLEEGTMAN ON THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. The Roman Ostholic Church is infinite # superi r to any Protestant denomination in its provisions of mercy and charity for the poor They cek to inspire the most wretched and forlorn with those hopes that point to a better world When I was in St Peter's Oburch, at Rome, on a Sunday morning, I saw the poorest, most obscure and neglected persons knessing on its splendid pavement by the side of the most noble inhabitants of the Sternal City In that cathedral there is no place assigned for the exclusive use of fashion-ble people, any more than there is in heaven. All must meet on the same level, as children of one Father; as dependent on the same purdoning mercy; as travelers to the same grave; as partakers of the same promises, and beirs of the same immortal glory Throughout Catholic Europe the doors of the church are kept open day and night, from year to year and concury to century. There, at any hour of the day, the forsaken outcast, on whom the world has consed to smile, can repair, and, falling down before the alter of his God. feel supported by the sublime faith that he has in beaven better and everlasting inheritance. I may say that Cath lie Churches are the home of the poor. In countries enjoying this form of Christianity the most fallen are incomparably less degraded than the worst of those who live in Protestant lands -Recollections of a Thirty five Years' Experience in New Orleans' by the Rev. J. Clapp, Protestant Minister.

The Free Baptist Society of Auburn, Maine, terribly bewildered church-goers recently, by giving an oyster supper in the church vestry, and winding up with a negro wedding in the audience room above, to which an admission fee of ten cents was charged in order to buy a Bib'e for the couple.

BEATHENS AT HOMS. - Yesterday morning a rather aged and feeble frish woman and her little girl, apparently about 8 years of age were on their way home from market, the former carrying a heavy basket of marketing. As she was evidently very weary the little daughter said, 'Let me carry it for you mother' 'No, child,' said the mother, 'you couldn't - it is so heavy.' But let me try, motheryou are tired. ' No,' said the old lady, but I will set it down and rest a bit, and then I can go on ' 'Mcther sit down on this door ster, and you can test better,' said the child, indicating the lower one of flight of steps that led up to the door of a pretentious appearing house. The mother sat down while the child stood guard beside the basket with an air of rare and touching affection for her mother. While the couple were there we passed them just in time to res a lady at least we will call her so with angry countenance and indignant manner, pass from the parlor within the house to the rear room, and a moment afterward a gentleman -at least we will call him so-abruptly open the door and exclaim, 'wh t are you doing here? Clear out !' The old lady took up her burden with a sigh, and slowly started on, while the farewell comment greeted her ears and ours.' A pretty ornament for a door step you'd make wouldn't you !--We were not yet out of ear-shot, and turning we recognized the speaker as one of the leading men in one of our evangelical churches. We could not help wondering whether he had ever heard the words if he never has, we think that he yet will-' in as much ye did it not unto one of the least of these ye did it not unto Me ! If the above incident was not a type of many others among modern wealthy christians, it might, for the sake of poor, fallen human nature, well have remained unpublished. But as there are many here in Kenosha who talk zealouz'y in behalf of benighted beathens in foreign lands, and who extend their sympathies far away into the South in behalf of lazy well fed negroes, it is well to remind them by the above incident, that there sit at their own doors and plenty of worthy subjects for christian charity. These early November snows and icy nights have blanched the cheeks and chilled the hearts of many poor mothers in Kenosha as they looked upon their ittle ones around them, their scan'y larders and into the approaching long winter months. Wealthy christians look out upon your door steps. - Kenosha Union.

Helens, Mont , Jan. 28th - On the 18th inst. ex expedition against certain tribes of Indians, who have been stealing stock and murdering the whites for the past several months, left Fort Shaw under command of Col. Baker. The expedition consisted of four companies of the 2nd cavalry and one com-pany of the 13th infantry An Indian who strived at Fort Benton to-day reports that early on the morning of the 23rd inst. Ool. Baker surprised Bear Ohief's camp, of over thirty lodges, and killed the men, women and children. No quarter was given.
Col. Baker's loss was trifling. Other tribes of the
Blackfeet, upon bearing of the affair, immediately made all haste to reach the British possessions, but it was understood that the expedition has the Government permission to cross the boundary line in pursuit. Bear Objet is known to have murdered several whites This news is confirmed by other arrivals at Benton.

A celebrated preacher of Chicago lately prayed that 'intemperance, licentiousness, fraud, profanity, and every form of vice' might be removed from that place, whereupon the Western papers accuse him of wishing to destroy Chicago's prosperity, and turn it into a howling wilderness.

Naw York, Jan. 28.-A new disease a stranger heretofore to this country, has broken out in the city. It is called the relapsing fever, and has been quite common in Europe. Though the fever is very violent in its symptoms, it is not attended with great mortality. Several cases have been detected in the

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ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR. FEBRUARY - 1870.

Friday 11-Of the Feria. Saturday, 12 - Of the Sixth Sunday after Epiphany Sunday, 13 - Sexacelina. Monday, 14 - St. Valentine, M. Tuesday, 15 -Of the Prayer of Our Lord. Wednesday, 16 Of the Feria. Thursday, 17 - Of the Blessed Sacrament.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

There is little of interest in the European news. Of course, the action of the Fathers of the Council of the Vatican is watched with the keenest interest; but so closely is secrecy ob served that nothing has as yet been discovered by the most sharp-sighted amongst our Own Correspondents. Another Session was held on the 4th inst. The Civilta Cattolica has an article on the menaces which certain papers in dulge in, should the Holy Ghost speaking through the Council, presume to thwart the ideas of asodern statesmen. The Bishops, says the Civilta Cattolica despise menaces, and if governments legislate in a spirit of hostility to the Council, so much the worse for the said governments.-From Spain we learn that the candidature of the Duke of Montpensier has been entirely abandoned. Prince George of Saxony, a Catholic 37 years of age, is spoken of in some quarters as likely to be proposed for the vacant throne, and others talk of Prince Charles of Prussia.

A report, probably a canard, of an attempt upon the life of Prince Arthur at New York. reaches us by telegraph. The whole story is apparently a mischievous fabrication.

Mgr. Tache, Bishop of St. Boniface, Red River, has returned from Rome, and is on the way to his diocess. The small potatoe rebellion seems to be dying out, and we may hope now that everything will yet be settled amicably.

The Tablet publishes, as the most important document it as yet has given to the world, the text of a petition or supplication to the Pope, signed already by 500 of the Fathers, praying that it may be defined that " the authority of the Roman Pontiff is supreme, and therefore free from error when, in matters of faith and morals, he declares and defines what is to be believed and held, and what to be rejected and condemned, by all the faithful." The Tablet goes on to

"This only seems to us as certain, that the Fathers intend plainly to declare to us the dectrine of Revelation on the point of Peter's prerogatives. and the Mgr. Dupauloup, after having strongly put forward his own view, and that of his friends, will give an example of submission to the Divine voice of the Church, which will more than conso's all who have grieved at his late attitude of 'opposition.'"—Tablet, 22nd ult.

The Imperial Parliament was to have opened on Tuesday last, 8th inst. In our next we trust that it will be in our power to lay before our readers the outlines, at least, of the Ministerial scheme for Ireland. So strong in the House of Commons at least, is Mr. Gladstone's majority that the general opinion is that the opposition to his measures will be helpless.

M. Rochefort has, as our readers know, been condemned by the tribunals, and so far the Government has the advantage. But the man is destined to give more trouble yet. He in his paper the Marseillaise, defies the author sties: he declares that he will not surrender himself a prisoner: and adds that if the Minis ters want him they must come, well armed, and take bim. This is tall talking, but it will end in smoke. Paris is not what it was in the days of the first Revolution, nor even in those of the last revolution. The streets are now open to the operations of all arms, and barricades are almost impossible; and though M. Rochefort may rely on the mass of the working classes, or proletaires, the citizens, i.e. the bourgeoisie, and above all the army, are with the Emperor, and on the side of order.

"By their fruits ye shall know them" saith the Lord. This is the test to which we must which they misrepresent as evil. What are its of Confession is comparatively speaking un bring forth good fruit, nor can a corrupt prac- daughters of Catholic Ireland, has time after guide as Janus, of whose name, and social posi- vitam.

tice have other than evil moral effects upon all who are subject to this desire making water

Let us apply this practical test to the Confessional-remembering that one ounce of facts is better than a ton of theories. What are the fruits of the Confessional or of auricular Confession as enjoined by the Catholic Church, as evinced by the conduct of those who resort to it? If the Confessional be evil, its fruits will of course be evil: and those who most faithfully and most frequently resort to it, will be distinguished amongst their fellow-creatures for the immorality of their lives, for their profligacy, and open contempt of God's laws. It on the contrary, facts show that those who are most regular at confession, are, if not perfect, still as a rule, more moral, more pure in their conduct, than those who never go to confession-then from this fruit we may conclude that the tree which bears it is a good tree, and one of God's own planting. All the theories, all the obscenities belched forth by unclean knaves such as Murphy, Achille and the rest of that unsavory tribe, will be of no avail against such a fact; if such a fact as the superior morality of Confessional frequenting commu ities, as compared with the morality of the non-frequenting communities, can be established.

Now then for a few facts. It is a fact, very notorious in France, and acknowledged even by the enemies of Catholicity in that country, that every husband, that every father, no matter how iax he may himself be-is always well pleased that his wife, and that his own daughters should go to Confession, as therein he feels that he has the best guarantee for their chastity, and the regularity of their lives. He hunself, though for long years he may have renounced the practice of Confession to a priest, remembers his youth and the moral effects of the Confessional upon himself in his earlier and purer days, when as yet he had not yielded himself a slave to his passions, nor looked upon the practice of Christianily as beneath the dignity of a man, and suited only for women and young persons. It is we say a noto rious and oft commented upon fact, that the young men of Paris, weary of the lascivious smileof the beauties of the demi-monde-(whose most illustrious ornaments, in refutation of the Prothe Confessional)-and meditating marriage, al years, girls who are known to be faithful in the performance of their religious duties, especially that of Confession: who in short are as unlike as possible to the frail beauties amongst whom their atormy youth has been passed. So also the Catholic father, no matter what his own practice may have heen, always encourages his children to go to Confession, as the antidote to the seductions of the world, the flesh, and the devil. These men know what the Confessional is, and what its fruits: though lax perhaps in their morais themselves, they are very exacting in the matter of the morality of their wives and daugh-

No quantity of theories, no amount of abuse that the filthiest renegade, who for his reiterated crimes against purity has been cast out of the Church like an unclean thing, can vomit forth, can weaken the force of this argument. Our logic is the logic of the heart and of the aftections, as well as of the head and of the intelligence. To weaken its force, we must assume that Catholic husbands prefer to have their wives unfaithful, and are ambitious to see their daugh ters corrupted. Can human nature tolerate such an assumption ? When the filthy Hebert, at the trial of Marie Antoinnette, accused the unfortunate Queen of having sought to corrupt her own son, the Dauphin, she scorned at. first to answer; her attention called to this fact by a juryman, who asked why she had not replied to this charge, the poble daughter of Maria Theresa nobly responded-"I did not answer, because such crimes are by nature impossible. I appear to all the mothers here present:" and even the vile rabble, the scoundrel democracy around her, felt and admitted the force of this outraged mother's appeal. So we, Catholice, in vindication of the morality of the Confessional, appeal to all husbands, to all fathers, to all brothers, to all lovers, whether it be not against nature and mo rally impossible, that Catholics should allow, nay encourage, their wives, their daughters, their sisters, their sweethearts to frequent the Confes sional-(knowing too as they well do, what the moral effects of the Confessional are)-if they did not know by experience that those effects were good, and that the practice of Confession was the best safeguard of conjugal chastity, and

Let us cite other facts. Of the British Is ands. Ireland is the one certainly, in which, so far as the female portion of the population is concerned, the practice of Confession is most frequent. What are the fruits? How does the chastity of the Irish girl compare-No! We beg pardon of Ireland; we should not say compare, bring any particular practice of the Catholie but contrast, with that of their sisters on the Church to which her adversaries may object, and eastern side of the Channel, where the practice fruits? we should ask; a corrupt tree cannot known? Why! the incomparable purity of the to have followed the lead of such a dishonest

time provoked the wonder, and compelled the fron our contemporary is ignorant. Anonymous admiration even of Protestant tourists.

Or without going so far as Ireland, let us only cross the frontier line betwirt Canada, and the should never be reproduced until verified. Now of piety, allowed the communicating of newly U. States, and another fact of the same kind meets our gage. That fact is, that certain unmentionable vices which we need but indicate, are so rile, so universal we may almost say, amongst the non-Catholic, non-confessing portion of the population of the New England States, that, by the admission of Protestant medical men who attribute the statistical phenomenon to the immorality of the people, the Protestant population of the said States is, relatively to the Catholic or confessing portion, rapidly dying out! But on this matter we will let Protestants speak for themselves; as for instance a Correspondent of the New York Independent. who writing from Connecticut deposes as under:

"You make a great mistake when you speak of the crime of festicide as being confined to the large cities. It prevails all over the country. I dare not tell you what I know- and the information has been given unsolicited - in reference to this horrid practice in the land. I do not believe there is a village in the New England States but this crime is practised more There are men who make it their business. with medicine and instruments, to carry on this slaughter. And even M. Ds in good and regular standing in the Church have practised it. Men are making here in this highly moral State, \$3 000 and \$4.000 a year in this small town alone at this business. Their patients are from the highly religious and fashionable, to the low and vicious Their scale of charges is according to their empidity, and size of pures of the victims. Delicate females go in the dead of the night, dressed in masculine attire to svoid detection to obtain the means to bide their shame. The cause of the evil lies in lust, which is as near to murder as fire to smoke. The demoraliz tion of the people at large in the practice of licentiousness, furnishes a topic of the groatest anxiety to the philanthropist.

Now if the moral effects of the Confessiona were unfavorable to female purity, the hideous vices above alluded to would be most rife amongst the most regular frequenters of the Confessional: least common among its nonfrequenters. The very reverse is the case: the practice of the vices in question is almost exclusively limited to the non-Catholic, non confess ing portion of the community, as is shown by its own statistics; by its own dying out population as has been repeatedly affirmed by Protestant medical men.

Again, amongst which class of the U. States people—the confessing or the non-confessing testant theory, are certainly not frequenters of, does the practice of divorce-which is always a sign of conjugal infidelity, and of a relaxation of ways prefer for the partners of their sedate the moral code—the more obtain? Unknown to, abhorred by Catholics, Divorce a vinculo is purely a Protestant institution: and yet, if the Confessional exercised a deleterious moral influence upon wives, applications for divorce would be most frequent from those husbands whose wives went most frequently to confession.

Here are a few facts which the maligners of the Confessional would do well to ponder. They are facts furnished us by Protestant writers medical men and others, and are therefore above the reach of suspicion. We should but weaken our case were we to add a word of our own to the eloquence of these facts. Only we will say in the words of Our Lord " a corrupt tree carnot bring forth good fruit."

JANUS, AND THE MONTREAL "GAZETTE." - Not designedly did we distort the state ment of our contemporary the Gasette in that we understood him to lay down the proposition that, that only is to be held of faith, according to the rule of St. Vincent, which never, anywhere, or by any one has been denied; the words of the Gazette from whence we deduced this proposition were these-

"Unless the settled rule laid down by St. Vincent, that that can only be decreed a dogme of the Church which has been held always, everywhere, and by al! the Church, be set uside" &c., &c-Gazeite, 20th ult.

To this we replied that St. Vincent laid down no such rule: and our contemporary in his issue of the 31st ult, modifies his proposition, and produces it in the following form :-

"We never said that nothing which had been ' de nied by any one' could be brought within St. Vin-cent's test of dogmatic truth. But it does require the concurrence of all the Church, through its au-

borized Doctors—a very different matter." We give our contemporary the benefit of the xplanation; but we ask who are the "authorized Doctors" or the teachers? The Catholic would reply to such a question in such words as these. The authorized Doctors of the Church are her Bishops, united with their common head, the Pope, but then, and under this condition only. The utterances of a Bishop separated from the Apostolic See are of no dogmatic authority

In reply to our invitation to the Gazette to cite the words of the decree in which the Counell of Treat condemned the pretended declaration of Popes Innocent 1st and Gelasius, "that unbaptized infants go straight to hell"-our contemporary replies as follows :-

"We have not now access to original authorities on the subject. We followed in this, as in almost all the other assertions of our review, the book we were reviewing .- Janus says (p. 421):-

"Innocent let and Gelasius 1st, the formes writing to the Council of Milevis, the latter in his epistle to the Bishops of Picenum, declared it to be so indispensible for infants to receive communion that those who die without it go straight to hell. A thousand years later, the Council of Trent anathematized this

The Gazette should have known better than

attacks, even upon the Catholic Church, which every one deems it his right to calumniateported assertions of an anonymous writer. This is testants: but we think that upon reflection the Gasotte will recognise that it is not a very honest mode of procedure. We would also remind our contemporary that it is always dangerous to make second hand quotations.

With regard to the epistle of Gelasius I. to the Bishops of Picenum we say nothing, for we have never seen the document; but with regard to the letter written by Pope Innocent 1st to the Bishops of the Council of Milevis in reply to certain questions ly them addressed to bim on the matter of the Pelagian heresy, and original sin, we speak confidently, as it is now lying before us: and we assure the Gazette, that nowhere in it does Pope Innocent assert that to receive communion is "so indepensible for infants, that those who die without it go straight to hell." In attributing this teaching to Pope Innocent 1st, Janus has lied, either through gross ignorance, or grosser malice. The Gazette must pardon us if we enter a little into details.

Silvanus, Valentinus, Aurelius and others. Fathers of the Council of Milevis, wrote to Pope Innocent as occupant of the Apostolic See invoking his supreme authority against, and his condemnation of, two heresies in particular enuntiated by Pelagius and Celestius, to the effect that it was a vain thing to implore God to be our belper against the evil of sin, and to do justice: and that the Sacrament of divine grace was of no profit to infants in order to procure for them eternal life.

To this letter, which implicitly recognises the Papal Supremacy in the early part of the fifth century, Pope Innocent replied to the effect, that the teaching which the Fathers of Milevia attri buted to the Pelagian hereties-to wit, that in fants might be endowed with the gift of eterna life, even without the grace of Bantism-was the beight of foolishness - "perfatuum est." In this same letter, Pope Innocent quotes indeed the words of Our Lord, as reported by St. John c. vi. v. 53: but the doctrine attributed to the Pope by Janus is certainly not to be found in this letter: whilst in another letter, on the very same subject, in reply to another letter written to him by the Fathers of the Council of Carthage, also invoking his supreme authority against the Pelegian heretics, Pope Innocent expressly laid down the doctrine that, by Baptism we are purged from all past sin, and are therefore ren dered fit for immediate entrance into the kingdom of heaven.

"Qui-(Christus)-per novæ regenerationis pari ficationem, omne præteritum vitum sui baptismatis lavacro purgavit."

From this it is plain that, though the practice. common in the African church in the fourth and fifth centuries of administering communion to newly baptized babes * under the form of a drop of wine, may have been allowed by the Pope. he did not insist upon it as essential to salvation; since addressing the Fathers of the two African Councils, he expressly taught that by the sacra ment of baptism all past sin. omne præteritum vitium, is washed away, and that the recipient thereof is consequently fully restored to God's grace; and made fit for heaven. For the rest. lunocent 1st taught in the 5th century as the Council of Treat taught in the suxteenth, as in the nineteenth century the Church still teaches, that without baptism-saltene in voto-no one can see God, or go to heaven.

For the sake of the thesis that the Gazette, on the authority of Janus strives to establish, this allusion to the transactions betwixt the Pope, and the Councils of Carthage, and of Milevis is most unfortunate: for it shows us that in the beginning of the 5th century, the Papal Supremacy, and infallibility in matters of faith were so generally recognised, that it was to the Pope, to the Holy Apostolie See, that the Bishops of a remote Province appealed for a confirmation of their condemnation of the Pelagian heresy, and its fautors. And if we pursue the subject further, we shall find the great St. Augustine, whom Protestants affect to quote in support of their views, proclaiming in the strongest manner the supremacy of the Holy See, and the finality of its decisions. We refer the Gazette to the first book of St. Augustine against Julian the Pela gian, in which he quotes against his adversary, as conclusive, as an authority against which there is no appeal, this very letter of Pope Innocent to the Fathers of the African Church. " What can you reply," says St. Augustine to his adver. sary Julian-" what can you reply to Saint Innocent?

"Sancto Innocentio vide guid respondese gui nibil aliud de hac re sapit, quam quod isti in quorum te conventum, si tamen prodest aliquid, introduxi : cum his etlam ipse considet etsi posterior tempore, prior loco."-Contra Jul. Pel. Lib. 1.

* Of this custom we see a notice in St. Aur. Serm 174. De Verbis Apostoli, 1 Tim c 15-" Infantes sunt, and Shoramenta ejus accipiunt. Infant & sunt sed men m ejus participes fiunt, ut habeaut in se

Now how did the Council of Trent act? Did it condemn these of the ancient doctors of the Church who for reasons of discipline, as well as the only authority the Gazette can assign for his baptized infants, under the form of wine? In accusations against the Church are the unsupwhilst infants, not arrived at the age of reason how controversy is too often conducted by Pro- are not bound to receive the Eucharist, it was most careful in the same chapter, to add that it by no means intended to condemn the account custom, or the holy men of old who under some circumstances sanctioned it :--

"Meque iceo tamen dammauda est antiquitas si sum morem in quibusdam locis aliquando servavit; at enim sanctissimi il'i patres sui facti probabilem cases pro illius temporis, ratione habuerunt; its certe, cos mulla salutis necessitate id feciese, sioe controversia credendum est."-Conc. Trid. Sess. 21, c iv.

Having thus carefully and expressly repudiated all intention of doing that which Janus falsely attributes to them, the Fathers of the Council. in their fourth canon condemned those, but those only, who should thenceforward teach that the reception of the Eucharist was necessary for infants not arrived at the age of reason.

Would our friend of the Gazette but kive bimself the trouble to verify the assertions of Janus, he would soon learn how untrustworthy a guide is that writer.

THINGS IN THEIR RIGHT PLACES. - The great material problem of the day may be stated! How to put things in their right places?"__ Could this be done the great social problems which distract the Old World, and which for the want of a solution, menace the stability of the entire political and social fabric of Europe, would be satisfactorily disposed of.

Take the British Empire, with its vast Colonies for instance, and we shall see the truth of this. On the one hand, we see a large part of the population able to work, willing to work, and yet unable to get work; on the other hand, we see large tracts of country lyin, desolate and uninhabited, because none can be found to work on them. Here the problem to be solved is. -How to put the superfluous labor of England Scotland, and Ireland in its right place-that is, there where it is wanted, and in demand?

Again: in the Old Country there is a superfluity of mouths, and a scarcity of food; hence, bunger, discontent, plotting against government, and a blind hatred of the existing social system. In the Colonies, on the contrary, there is a superfluity of food, and a lack of mouths to eat it; in consequence of which the settlers of Australasta, which produces enough beef and mutton to feed the entire population of the British Empire, complain of dull times. In this case again the problem is "How to bring the food to the mouths, and the mouths to the food?" Things are in their wrong places; there is a minimum of food where there is a maximum of population crying out for something to eat; a minimum of population there where there is a maximum of food, crying out as it were, for some one to come and eat it.

Dirt too, with its concomitant stinks, and life destroying exhalations, 19, 28 it has often been said, only something in its wrong place. That which poisons our large cities, and crowded houses, is but something which, if but distributed over the soil, would indefinitely increase its fertility, and thereby enable it to support thousands and tens of thousands, where today it barely furnishes a scanty nutriment for tens or bundred. Could the dirt of our great cities be removed from there where it breeds pestilence and death, to there where it is wanted, the waste places would blossom, and what is now the seed of typhus and loathsome disease of all kinds, would become an mexhaustible fund of food, wealth, and comfort. Scarce are the coal mines of Great Britain more precious than would be the mass of its city dirt - which, being left in its wrong place, breeds disease, and poverty, and death-were that dirt transferred to its right place, the soil.

We often think, therefore, that a solution of the great social problem of the day, and so far as Great Britain is concerned, - the problem " How shall we deal with the great, and ever increasing mass of pauperism?" may be looked for in the material order, and in a better application of the mechanical appliances which science has placed at our command. In emigration; in improved modes of transit, so as to bring the redundant beef and mutton of Australia to the mouths of the famishing thousands of England; and in the utilisation of sowage, and excrementitious matter, are to be found a certain cure for those disorders of the body politic and social, which are in a great measure owing to this :- 'I'but we as jet have not been able to put things in their right places. We have men in abundance; we have also food in superabundance; and we have moreover the means of increasing the food producing power of the soil indefinitely; but alas! all these are in their wrong places, and the result is pauperism, starvation, and disease; all of which, by a better distribution of the elements of material prosperity - that is to say, population, food, and manure - we might get rid of, and replace by wealth, rienty, and longevity.

Empty bellies are always democratic, republican, and opposed to the existing order; could we their Great Revolution, their rulers must see to it tury. in time, that the peoples' bellies be filled; and this might be accomplished in the British Empire, which has land enough, and food enough and to spare, for all its population, were things but put in their right places.

THE CRACOW NUN.-Is our Protestant exchanges we find the following paragraph respecting this unhappy lady, who it was at first thought was to render such important service to the cause of Protestantism :-

"The incarcerated Nun, Barbara Ubryk, is said to look extremely well, and far younger then she really is she has a small merry face, with a retrousse nose, and bright lively eyes. She converses freely though incoherently and laughs a good deal "

Hereupon the Witness indulges in the following sage comments: -

"It seems to prove three things (1) That Barbara is instance: (2) That her instally is not of such a kind as to require the harsh treatment she suffered; and 3d that that treatment could scarcely have been so very harsh as first represented, or she would hard.

In other words she did not sufter the barah treatment which she suffered. This reminds one of the three pleas in the case of the lady prosecuted for having broken, or destroyed a pot lent to her by a neighbor. 1st. It was broken when we got it; 2nd. It was whole when we returned it; 3rd. We never had it.

Yes certainly: the present healthy and youthful appearance of Barbara Ubryk is a proof that the story of the cruel bardships inflicted on her by her sister nuns, of her having been immured tor long years in a dark and noisome cell, and treated like a wild beast was a cruel wicked lie ; which now that it has served its purpose, and led to the attacks upon the Convents, and the Jesuits may be allowed to drop. It can be revived again however, whenever wanted, with new names of prison, place, and other accessories: and as in the past, so in the future it will continue to do good service in the cause of civil and religious liberty.

A new Protestant organ funnily styled the True Catholic has made its appearance in Eng land, the reason for its publication being the fearful increase of Popery in England. This in crease is traced to the Oxford movement, the propagandism of the converts to Popery, " their sincerity, devotedness, sacrifices and asceticism" -blemishes or defects of character with which no one can reproach any of the converts from Popery to the holy Protestant faith; and Papiets bave added to their other enormities by writing and publishing books-nay even titled ladies have been guilty of this-in which their opinions, and man and Catholic, who takes the trouble of advocated.

"It is time therefore to be up and doing," says the new Protestant journal. It complains of, or rather confesses the short comings, of Protestantism, in spite of all that the Achill's and the Murphys and others of that stamp bave done and are doing in the way of vililying Romanism;" " neither children at school, nor youth at universities, nor congregations from the pulpit, nor the people at large through the press. have been diligently warned against the doctrines or practices of the Papacy." We think that here our friend sins by excess of humility; England may have many sins to answer for; but surely lack of abuse of Popery faom the platform and the press, lack of zeal against the encroachments of the Man of Sin; indifference to the enormities of asceticisim, fasting, and chastity are not amongst the defects or shortcomings with which Protestant England can be justly reproached.

The True Catholic is not so sanguine as to espect that many of the converts to Romanism can be won back; but it is so blind to the actual tendencies of the religious movement in England as to that hope that what it calls the "fundamental evangelical principles" of the Reformation may be reestablished in the hearts of the English people. It is now too late for this, The question is now no longer betwixt Romanism as one phase of Christianity, and Protestantism as another, and as it precends to be, a purer phase: but betwixt Romanism and heathenism, betwixt absolute submission to the Church, or the rejection of all Revelation. In another century all that is not Roman will be heathen.

More Flar Doodle.—The telegrams from the U. States have a most smusing specimen " of the stuff they feed fools on." A Miss Louise Dober has fallen a victim to the wiles of a Cath olic priest, name and whereabouts unknown: and the young lady has suddenly and mysteriously disappeared. A Mr. Harley min ster of a second reformed church, whatever that may be-bas nevertheless received a letter from Miss Doberbot given -" in which she states that she is con- Catholic; but happily I cannot boast of such Thy Holy Spirit, hear and answer the prayers of Just at this time a note was received from Johnson,

fill them, or put them where they might be filled, fined in the cell of a Catholic Church"-name low feelings as "Irishman," delights to exthere would be left but a very limited field of of said Church and district in which situated, press. labor for the patriots and political agitators. If with other details equally unimportant of course in the reign of Louis XVI. the wish attributed to comitted-", and that she is to be sent to a nun-Heary IV had been realized, if every peasant had mery in Milwaukee's name of numbery of course had his fowl in his pot, there would have been no also omitted. This is the stuff which able editors revolution, to reign of terror, no Gospel of the publish and circulate among the enlightened Prorights of man. If other countries are to escape testants of the U. States, in the nineteenth cen-

> We read in the Montreal Gazette that a " Miss Edith O'Gorman, a female Chuiquy or rather ex aun gave a lecture on "The Roman Priesthood" in Newark, New Jersey, two or three nights ago. A row ensued, and the police bad to clear the streets."

> We suspect that it is not exactly from a nunnery that the young lady in question made her escape. Our worthy City Recorder has a good deal to do with a certain class of "ex-nuns."

We have to acknowledge the receipt of the Arst four numbers of a new Catholic paper, the Star of Bethlehem, published monthly at Milwaukee, U.S. This paper promises to be a valuable accession to the ranks of Catholic journalism in North America. Edited with much ability, it presents its subscribers with a large amount of amusing and matructive reading mat ter. That it may go ahead, and prosper is our sincere wish.

The Sisters of Providence, Kingston, are here at present, collecting throughout the Parishes for their Orphans, &c., and are meeting with a large measure of success .- Com.

Mr. F Stewart is our duly appointed Agent for Ingersoll and neighborhood.

Mr. C. Donovan, Printer, is our duly appointed Agent for Hamilton and vicinity.

Mr. A. Lamond is our Agent for York River.

> To the Editor of the True Witness. Ottawa, Jan. 27th 1870.

Mr. Editor,-Though the Capital is blessed with six healthy "Dailies," continually spouting out torrents of abuse against one another, and occupied with every topic, from the great Red River difficulty, down to the very interesting report of some Bible or Missionary meeting, up West; yet, a Carbolic citizen who wishes to dwell on any matter at all Catholic is compelled to trespass on the columns of a journal published over a hundred miles distant from the seat of debate. The good people of Montreal, and of Lower Canada, generally, must imagine that Catholicity is entirely extinct at Ottawa, for I am sure they read very little of it in the press of that city, except perhaps, the slangy letter of some individual professing bimself to be an Irish the doctrines of the Roman Church are skillfully criticising-much to the delight of his Protestant neighbours—a charitable lecture delivered by a good Missionary priest. I allude Mr. Editor, to a letter published two weeks ago, in the Ottawa Evening Mail," which contained in two well worded sentences, a humbug attack on the Rev. Father Langcake's lecture of Sunday the 9th inst. This " Irishman Catholic," declares, as if he were Blair himself, that in his opinion (a poor one indeed) the Rev. Gentleman's lecture was distinguished by nothing save its length, during which he alluded to Irishmen as being devotees to Bacchus, noble god of the vine. Poor enthusiast! I leave it to his countrymen and co-religionists in Montreal to judge of his extraordinary powers of discernment. But the writer goes farther, and gives us to understand. that it moust have been owing to his boasted Anglo Sazon principles, or his misconception of a joke, that the Rev. lecturer made such a base assertion. Not bad as "Irishman"! How careful he is to point out those distinguishing qualities! But he is silent on the different points of the discourse: perhaps, some of them fitted bim too well-for instance, the well directed attacks on Catholics who miss Mass on Sundays. This might account for his remarkable but untimely fit of patriotism.

I know Mr. Editor, that is is rather late to draw attention to that letter, but yet I deem it necessary, in order to convince the Rev. Gentlemen so dishonourably attacked, and his friends at Montreal, that their confreres at Ottawa, are not of the same opinion as the Mail's " Irishman." The Irish Catholics of Ottawa, are under the greatest obligations to the Rev. Father Langcake, for his zealous labors during the Jubilee at St. Patrick's. Long shall his noble exertions be remembered at Otlawa, notwithstanding the cool assurance and effrontery of a scribbler in a city daily.

Hoping Mr. Editor that you will pardon me for so long detaining you, I conclude with the desire that the Irish Catholics of Montreal, will disregard the attack made on the Rev. Father; it merits nothing but scorn, which be assured, it receives at the capital.

I can also boast of being an Irishman and a

1 remain, Mr. Editor,

yours truly, SHAMROCK.

To the Editor of the True Wilness.

Mr. Editor .- It is always with a new pleasure that I read the glowing accounts you chronicle almost weekly of our Catholic institutions which dot the Dominion from one extremity to the

Those institutions do most nobly fulfill the exalted end for which they were erected, whether it be for the education of our youth, or the care and maternal solicitude of our orphass, our blind, and our infirm. Had the TRUE WITNESS no other claum (I hould name many others) on the generous, and of every Catholic in the Dominion. this alone should suffice to secure for it a large

Here in the quaint old city of Champlain number of our devoted ladies—the daughters of the Emerald Isle—have established an association under the title of ' The Ladies of the Christian Doctrine Society." The good that these ladies are doing, particularly towards poor chil dren, is truly admirable. Through their exertions, a couple of schools have been opened, and are crowded with children who are cared for in their temporal, as well as their spiritual wants.

Saturday evening I attended a most agreeable entertainment given under their auspices in the St Patrick's Catholic and Literary Institute. The following choice selections formed the programme of the evening; Part First, Grand duo de Concerto by Misses Laroche and Heatley. Il Guibilo by Miss Fiset. Reading by Mr. J. H. O'Neill. Colleen dhas Crothen amo. by Miss Horan. Song by Mr. W. Ross. La Sauveniere (Prume) by Mr. A. Lavigne. Good bye Old Home, by Miss Lillie Peters. Finale de Lucretia Borgia (Grieux) by Mr. Gustave

Part Second. Don't Go. by Mr. Thos. J. Corrigan. The Return (Milard) by Miss Fiset. Cornet Solo by Mr. Lamont. Charity (Mercier) by Mrs. Colfer. Song by Mr. Plamondoc. Reading "I raunt deux Fly" by Mr. J. H. Grant. Solo by Miss Fiset. Kathleen Ma vourneen Waltzes (D'Albert) by Mr. A. Lavigae. The Green Little Shamrock by Mr. W. H. Laroche. This was gone through in so perfect a manner by each, and every one that to particularize would be wholly out of place. One thing which caused an increase of pleasure, and gratification among the audience, and which is not always witnessed at entertainments of the kind, was the winning modesty and unaffected simplicity with which the lady amateurs performed their various parts. With such a galaxy of talented amateurs as those who adorned the Institute, Saturday evening, from the inimitable reader J. H. O'Neill, to the renowned violinist Lavigne, this first of the season's entertainments lenged, were to be silvert and give no testimony of speaks volumes of what the remainder will be, ben the whole circle shall be made up; and especially when our friend, Revd. J. P. Doherty. the favorite of Quebec, shall have returned from his tour to Rome and the Holy Land.

Quebec, January 31st 1870.

We copy from the Vatican the text of the petition from the five hundred Bishops, to which we have alluded in another column :--

THE POPE ON "OPPORTUNENESS." On Sunday, the 9th, the Holy Father gave audience at the Vationn to a multitude of the faithful, estimated at twelve or fifteen bundred. His Holiness ascended his throne, and began by observing that to speak to such an assembly one by one, as he desired to do, was not possible both on account of his continual fatigues, and the length of time which would You have come bere for two things, be required. continued the Holy Father; 'to see the Pope, and to receive his benediction. You behold the Pope and as to the benediction, you will receive it after I have addressed a few words to you. The subject of these reflections I will take from the Gospel of the day : the firding of our Lord in the temple.' After reminding the assembly of the answer given by our Lord to His Blessed Mother and S. Joseph, that He had quitted bem in spite of the sorrow which His absence would necession them, 'to do the will of His Heavenly Father,' the Sovereign Pontiff went on thus: ' This saying of our Lord is designed to teach us that we also are upon earth for no other purpose than to do the will of our Father who is in Heaven. It is to obey this Diwine will that I have gathered together the Council now assembled in the Vatican, which at this moment at tracts the attention of the whole world. Some say that the Council will arrange everything, and put an end to all the divisions which exist among men; but the bearts and minds of men can only be changed by our Beavenly Father, Who slone has power to change the face of the earth. Others believe that it will accomplish nothing, and speak of it with derision. I am a poor and miserable man. but I am the Pope, the Vicar of Jesus Christ, the bead of the Catholic Church and I have called together this Council, which will do what it is appointed to do 'Oertain pretended wise men, blind eaders of the blind, desire that particular questions be avoided, and that nothing be done contrary to the prevailing ideas of the age. But I tell you that the truth must be proclaimed in order that liberty may be established, and that we must never fear either to proclaim truth or to condemn error. I wish to be free myself and that truth should be free? tears, and your supplications, so that you may con strain the Holy Spirit to fortify and enlighten the Fathers of the Council, 'that truth may triumph and error be condemned. There are among you Catholics of all nations, English, French, Spanish, Germans, who have come to seek strength and copsola-

tion at the Casir of Peter. O my God, send forth

me receive the benediction which I am going to pronounce for yourselves, your families, and your friends. May it descend also upon the nation to which each of you belongs. Many of your families, no doubt, are not exempt from those troubles, sorrows and divisions which are inevitable in this mortal life; may the benediction which I give you bring to them concord and peace. Benedicat vis, &c

TRANSLATION OF THE PETITION IN FAVOUR OF THE DEFINITION.

The undersigned Fathers humbly and carnestly beg the boly Coumenical Council of the Vatican to define elearly, and in words that cannot be mistaken, that the authority of the Roman Pontiff is supreme and, therefore free from error, when in matters of faith and morals he declares and defines what is to be believed and held, and what to be rejected and condemned by all the faithful.

REALORS FOR WHICH THIS DEPINITION IS THOUGHT OF PORTUNE AND NECESTARY.

The Sacred Scriptures plainly teach the Primacy of jurisdiction of the Romen Pontiff, the Successor o S Peter, over the whole Church of Christ, and therefore, also his Supreme Headship

The universal and constant tradition of the Church as seen both in fac's and in the teaching of the Fa thers, as well as in the manner of acting and speak ing adopted by many Councils, some of which were Of umenical, teaches us that the judgments of he Roman Pontiff in matters of faith and morals are un alterable

In the Second Conneil of Lyons, with the consent f bath Greeks and Latins, the following profession of faith was allowed:

When controversies in matters of faith arise, they must be finally settled by the decision of the Roman Pontiff. Moreover, in the Ecomenical Synod of Florence it was defined that the Roman Pontiff is Obrist's true Vicar, the Head of the Church, and the Father and Teacher of all Obristians; and that to him in the person of blessed Peter was given full nower by Jesus Christ to rule and govern the whole Church. Sound reason too, teaches us that no one can remain in communion of faith with the Outholic Church who is not of one mind with its Head, since the Church cannot be separated even in thought from its Head.

Yer some have been found, and even now some may be found, who, boasting of the name of Cath lie, and using that name to the ruin of hose weak in faith, are bold enough to teach, that sufficient submission is yielded to the authority of the Roman Portiff, if we receive his decrees in matters of faith and morals with an obsequious silence, as it is termed, without yielding internal assent, or at most, granting a conditional sesent, until the approval or disapproval of the Church has been made known. Anyone can see that by this perverse doctrine the authority of the Roman Pontiff is overturned, all unity of faith destroyed a wide field opened to errors, and opportunities afforded of spreading them far and wide.

Wherefore the Bishops, the guardians and protectors of Outholic truth, have endeavoured especially now a-days to defend in their Synodic decrees, and by their united testimony, the supreme authority of the Apostolic Sec.

The more clearly, too, has Catholic truth been declared, the more vehemently has it been attacked both in books and in the press, thus to excite Catholics against sound doctrine and prevent the Coun-

cil of the Vatican from defining it Wherefore, if formerly many could have doubted he opportuneness of declaring this doctrine in the present Œcumenical Council, it would seem now to he absolutely necessary to define it. For the Carbolic teaching is again attacked by those self same arguments which, when before used against it, by men condemned by their own judgment, have been expressly condemned; arguments which, if carried to their ultimate consequences, would bring to the ground the very Primacy of the Roman Pontiff and the infallibility of the Church itself: with which, also, the most violent abuse of the Apostolic See, in frequently joined. Nay, more, the most bitter assailants of Oatholic doctrice, though they call themselves Catholics, are not ashemed to assert that the Synod of Florence, which so clearly declares the

the Catholic doctrine on this point, then indeed would Catholics begin to doubt the true doctrine and some modern writers would triumphantly assert that the Council had been silenced by the arguments brought forward by them. Nay they w uld even abuse this silence on every occasion, and openly deny the che dience due to the judgments and decrees of the Apostolic See in matters of faith and morals, maintaining that the Roman Pontiff can be deceived in definitions concerning such matters.

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Wherefore the public good of Christianity seem? to require, that the holy Council of the Vatican, again acknowledging and explaining more fully the Flor entine decree should define clearly and in words that can admit of no doubt, that the authority of the Roman Pontiff is supreme and, therefore, free from error, when in matters of faith and morals he decrees and ordains what is to be believed and held by all the faithful of Ohrist, and what to be rejected and condemned by them.

There are, indeed, some who think that this don rine should not be defined, lest thereby schismatics and heretics should become more hostile to the Church. But above all other considerations Catholics have a right to be taught by the Council what they ought to believe in so important a matter, and one which has been lately attacked in so base a manner, lest this ruinous error should in the end infect the simple and unguarded minds of the multitude. Therefore did the Fathers of Lyons and Trent think, that they were bound to establish the doctrine of the truth, in spite of the offeres that might be taken by schismatics and heretics

For if the latter seek the truth in sincerity they will not be repelled, but on the contrary, astracted rather, when they see on what foundation the onity and atrength of the Catholic Church chiefly repose. But if any were to leave the Church in case the true doctrine be defined by the Coumenical Council, such would be few in number, whose faith too has already suffered shipwreck : for they only look for an opportunity of leaving that Church by some external act, which they plainly show that they have deserted siresdy in heart. These are they who have not shrunk from ever disturbing the Catholic world and from whose susres the Council of the Vatican ought to protect the faithful children of the Church. For all true Catholics, taught and accustomed to render most perfect obedience of mind and tongue to the decrees of the Apostolic Roman See, will receive with joyful and devoted hearts the definition of the Council of the Vatican concerning the supreme and infallible authority of that See.

An Aniconding Bookkeepen. - Edward W. Regau, bookkeeper in the employ of Mr. D Shannon, grocer Commissioner street, absconded on Wednesday evening, with about \$800 in cash belonging to Mr. Shannon Mr. Shannon it seems left for Ontario on Mon. day evening leaving with Regan a \$500 bank cheque As to the affairs of this world, I have nothing to do with which to pay customs duties. The foreman of with them. My business is with the affairs of God, the establishment had his suspicious aroused Wednesof the Church, of the Holy See, and of the whole day evening when Regan locked up the office and Christian society. Offer then your prayers, your gave the key to the former, who opened the safe and found several hundred dul'ars money missing and the petty cash book unbalanced. The foreman waited down, sent to the house Chenneville street where he lived. But he had not been there during the night. and about \$800 in bills and silver found missing.

Thy whole people, and bless this people which is the lookout man at Laprairie, stating that one of Mr. Thine. And you all who are here assembled around Shannon's clerks had been seen there under suspiclous circumstances. The police were informed of the matter and Defective Ouflen proceeded to St. Alban's where he found Regan, who gave up \$183 in his possession. The amount due his employer was \$772, and with this Detective Cullen returned. ices \$60 which he had been instructed by Mr. Shannon to give Regan. Regan was an efficient bookkeeper and had hitherto borne un excellent charac-

> IN MEMORIAM OF REVD FATEER BAKEWELL. Gone to repose at length from care

And toils that knew no and or measure He now enjoys the long sought treasure Guerdon of koly Paith and Prayer.

Grouping round the silent bier. Weeping orphans, widows wailing, Upon the cross be clu'obed when falling Kisses print, and drops the tear.

Sadden'd thousands throng the sisle Of Notre Dame, where swells the requiem. And eyes are strained thro' tears to look at him. Whose face e'en Death crowns with a smile.

Oh! ye, from Truth's path who yet stray, Think all he sacrificed to ent r Ohrists' fold, to find there peace and shelter; Willing to " bear the heat of day

How labor'd he to raise the weak! Fillume with Hope the baunts of sorrow And glad beams of a brighter morrow Bid the lour, wan, sufferer seek !

Oh pure soul i who shall fill thy place Radiant, near the wretch's nallet ! Who like thee, to misery shall yet The starry way to Heaven trace?

Thy confreres, -envoys of God's Son Who round thee weep, while rises ever In their breasts the will the endeavour, To toil and win and win as thou hast done.

N. F.

Amherstbarg, Dec. 27th 1869

Has the relapsing or 'famine' fever now raging in New York and other Atlantic cites, broken out in Mantreal? Many persons here have lately experienced the various forms of a contagious disease, not dangerous in itsel', but sufficiently discressing at the outset to cause alarm, and wonderfully similar in detail to the American epidemic. Generally speaking the features of the disease may be ske ched as follows: 1st day - a burning fever alt rn ite heat and cold; 2nd pains in the spine and bead, and all the bones of the body, constipation, disposition to vomit, sore throat, thick ropy phlege, inflamed tongue, covered with a whitish matter :es mbling cotton wool. 3rd day - cessation of nearly all the bodily paios, ulcerated throat, and general debilty After this the patient rapidly recovers and in a few days is apparently as well and as sound as ever To our personal knowledge five members of one family were consecutively laid up with the symptoms which we have thus described, as well as many other 'persons who reside in different parts of the city, and their cases, all agree with the diagnosis embodied in these remarks. Is the complaint, whatever be its name, attribut ble to the mild but rather unseasonable weather of the past five or six weeks? We leave this to the consideration of the faculty Gazette.

TEACHER WANTED. V nien a First or Second Class Teacher, for Roman Jathola Separate School Picton, Oat. Appli-

nts to address to JOSEPH RICHMOND,

WANTED.

A good Male Teacher, with First-Class Certificate, for Shool Section No. 10, in the Township of Lancaster A Catholic preferred. Must be well recem . mended. Salary liberal. Apply, enclosing Testimonisis, to D. J. McLachlan, or John O Kavanagh, Trustees North Luncaster, via Glennevis Post Office, Glengarry, Out.

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Applications, with Testimonials, addressed to the untersigned, will be received until first of January

JOHN KNOWLSON,

Nov. 12th, 1889.

ing French and Roglish, the other English-for the Catholic Schools in the Municipality of the Townstrips of Hemmingford Address to John Regan, Secretary Treasurer, Hemmisoford.

WANTED.

Two Female Teachers one muht be capable of teach-

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

PROVINCE OF QUEEC, In the SUPERIOR COURT. Friday the twenty first day of January 1870. Present : The Honorable Mr Justice Mackay

In the matter of Bruno Daigle et al Adolphe Roy & Arthur Roy

Petitioners. It is ordered on the petition of the Said Adolphe Roy & Arthur Roy, that a meeting of the Oreditors of the said Brano Daigle et al be held in the Court-Room appropriated for proceedings in insolvency, in the Court House in the said City of Montreal, on Tuesday the tifteenth day of February next at eleven of the clock in the foremon, for the purpose of appointing an Assignee to the estate of the said Insolvents, in the place and stead of Louis R. Glard. HUBERT PAPINEAU & HONEY.

TEACHER WANTED.

A School Master, with an elementary diploma; to teach the Roglish language. For further particulars

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J. SHANNOM.

BROADWAY NOTICE.

The services of a widely celebrate ' Ou ter offertentill Thursday morning, and as Regan did not come sive Enropean and American exp rience have been secured at Breadway, 52 St. John Sceet Those supplying cloth may now rely on always obtaining The books and safe at the office were investigated the most e egent and best fitting Coat and Pants in the Dominion.

J. Shannon. of Assessment

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

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FRANCE.

PARIS, Feb. 2.- A public meeting was disperaed by the authorities last night, because one of the speakers compared Ollivier to Judas Is-The state of the s ... cariot.

The Patrie to-day alludes to cumours about the expected reduction in the army and navy, and asserts that it has reason to believe they are without foundation. It expresses opinion that the present military and naval force of the coun try are not too large.

PARIS, Feb. 4.-Despatches were received to-day announcing that the Archbishop of Lyons is in a very precarious condition, and it was thought that he could not live the day through.

PARIS, Jan. 13 .- The Marseillaise of to-day gives the following account of the affair which occurred in the Champs Elysees as the people were returning from M. Non's funeral :- Arrived at the Round Point, the crowd perceived that some regiments of Chasseurs were drawn up across the Avenue in front of the Palais de l'Iudustrie. Rochefort alighted from his carriage. and said, 'Citizens, let me advance alone.' Accordingly he walked on towards the troops, who were headed by a magistrate and some drummers. After the first beat of the drums, M. Rochefort said, ' We are citizens, returning from the interment by the same road by which we came; do you insist upon preventing us from Rochefort said, 'I am Deputy of the Seine, and I insist upon being allowed to proceed to the Chamber of Deputies.' The reply he received was, "You will be cut down first of all." There- fine linen and feast sumptuously every day. - Corr. upon Rochefort, addressing the crowd, said, of Tablet. Citizens, disperse; you will be massacred uselessly."

In the Corps Legislatif the proposition of M. Giery that the Presidents of the Chambers had a right to demand an armed force when neces sary to insure the freedom of their deliberations. was debated. Julea Favre and Emmanuel Arago made speeches, in which they recalled the fact that a similar demand was made in the Chambers ten days before the coup de etat of 1851, but was then rejected after an exciting debate. The proposel of Giery was defeated by a vote of 217 against 43.

M. Rouland, Senator and Governor of the Bank of France, has fulfilled his intention to make an 'interpellation' in the Senate about the Coumenical Council, but without much success. We find in the Univers of the 7th an anecdote about this gentleman, which shows that he is almost as well qualified to discuss such a subject as the Times or the Illustrated London News. When he was a Minister he used to boast of his religious sentiments after the following manner :-When I am in my village,' be said, with the air of sublime condescension peculiar to functionaries of his type, 'I go to Mass on Sunday, and at the moment of the Elevation I. a Minister of the Emperor, how my head, 'although the Mass is said by a simple priest ?! We are quite sure beforehand what this remarkably intelligent man is likely to think of the Valican Council.

The are two very different opinions with reaffray of the 10th inst. Some persons insist on the improbability of his having first verbally ahusally killed him without any greater provocation than appears from Fouvielle's statement of what occurred. They sey it is highly prohable that the Prince used the very coarse and insulting express # me attributed to him, and that he may have accompanied them by an angry gesture, in reply to which they suppose that Noir, whose reputation was that of a hot-headed youth of great pi'ys al strength, and ready enough to quarrel, and even to use manual aggression, struck Bonaparte, who bility. forthwith shot him. This seems a probable explanation of the course of the quarrel. M. Fou-Vielle represents himself and his companion to have been so extremely courteous in their words and tone that it is incomprehensible what should have roused the Prince to insult, strike, and shoot at them. On the other hand, there are persons who say that his character is so violent and ungovernable that it is exactly what he might be expected to do. Irritated by the at tacks that had been made upon him in the Marseillaise, and by the intrus on of two men whom he looked upon with anger and contempt as identified with their authors, it is quite conceivable. they assert that his passion got the better of him. and that he followed up foul language with a sudden blow and a deadly shot. It is to be hoped the proceedings before the tribuaal will elicit the truth, and cast a surer light on this deplorable event than can be derived from the conversation and conjectures of Paris society.

SPA:N.

The condition of Spain is truly melancholy. More than a year has elapsed since the ex Queen was driven out of her capital, and from that time to this the country has been handed over to a body of adventurers who have shown themselves far more clever at pulling down than building up. When the news first reached England of the revolution in the Peninsula, great was the joy of Bible propagators amongst us-as if Catholics were not as well acquainted with the Bible as any old Protestant body at home-that the Word of God' would have a chance of reaching the homes of a people so benighted as the proud Done. Well. Bibles were accordingly sent in ship loads. But the Bible however good in itself tells quite as much and more in favor of the old creed, as against all the new creeds, and sensible Protestants ask themselves this pertinent question—if the Bible is to be accepted as the sole rule of faith, what is the use of having a olergy or a Church at all! Protestant bishops are a sadly oppressive tax in this and other countries which have discarded the trammels of the Papacy, if all Christian faith and morals are confined to the Old and New Testaments. But 1847. putting the controversially religious phase of the putting the controversiany rengious phase of the ness!—B. Ricasoli, 1861.

The greatness of Gregory VII., the holy zeal of public unsurpassed by any house of the kind in know that contemporaneous with English Bibles Julius II., the confidence in the justice of Clement Canada.

came bloody collisions in the principal cities between Royalists and Republicans-between those who had something and tuose who had nothing to lose, in which victory well od on the people who had the bird in hand rather then ou those who expected to have two in the bash. Between the rival factions, the fair land of Spain is going to the dogs as fast as possible It was believed las week that the resignation of Prim and his collengue, nicunt nomething real but the interval demonstrates clearly that the whole scheme, was a sham - a make believe, to beal the wounded pride of Prim at his disappointment in being unable to foist the bey belonging to Vict r Emmanuel on the Spaniards as a roling soversign. Better to make Prim or Serrano dictator than to leave things as they are. The popularity of Montpassier who would make an excellent monarch-must be at very low ebb if it is not sufficient to break down the barriers thrown up against him by an advanturous soldier, who has brought the national finances of the country to bankruptey and rule. The new Oablust with the exception of Rivere, and one or two others, promises to be as unstatesmen-like and imbroile as the one that has recent y broken down. It is greatly to be feared that forin must pass through another baptism of blood before peace and prosperity succeed anarshy and murder.

CERISTMAS REJOICING OF THE POOR .- In confirms. tian of the prosperous condition to which as I h ve several times remarked, our modern Solous and Cincinnail are raising this bupless country, and our charitable esylums in particular. La Epoca informs us that the magnificent hospital in San ingo, founded and rounificently endowed of old by King Ferdinand and Queen lasbells, must by this time have been shut up from sheer want of resources. It was the blessed refuge of all the poor of the four Gallican provinces. The Provincial Corporations an find no means to keep it open, and the Government fails to pay them the interest on the untransferable scrip which it g ve la return for the m. gnificent property of which to passing? After the second roll of the drums, robbed the sick and poor. The provincial hospital of Valencia is much in the same predicament, asking in wain for one penny out of the 56 000 dols, of three per cents interest due to it by the Public Treasury Meanwhile our Liberals are 'clothed in purple and

ITALY.

PIEDMONT - The opening of the Italian Chamber is fixed for the lat of February, and, according to my private letters from that city, M. Sella proposes showing that Ass mbly the way to economica be tween 30 or 40 millions of francs on the annual ex penditure He and Lanza are said to have set to work with great energy. The question is whether the Obamber will support their projects said to comwrise the adjournment of certain payments, a tend-ney to the creation of a deferred debt. For the present the Oabinet seems pretty firm, but nothing e-n be predicted in Italy, and we must wait till the Chamber meets to judge how things are likely to go. Rattazzi supports Lauss. The Oubjust consists of Piedmonters and Lomberds, with the exception of Admiral Acton, the new Minister of Marine, a Nespolitan officer of great merit, who managed to extract a laurel even from Lissa, and Raeli, a Sicilian There seems little talk or expectation at Florence of the withdrawal of the Franch troops from Rome, and indeed, the Italians would be very wrong to build on anything of the kind. Signor Nigra, however, is said to have reported favou ably to M. Vi-conti Ven seta with respect to Count Daru's disposition towards Italy, to which country the new Government is said to be well disposed, so long as it does not ask what cannot be granted. - Times Corr.

The Italian papers state that a growing tendency to autonomy is to be noted in the Lombard and Piedmontese States. The King's return to Turin was signalized by a demonstration of popular loyalty. due to the reaction against the annexation of the south and centre of Italy, which is nowhere so strong as i the Catholic and Conservative little capital of Piedmont. To this party is also owing the refusa of the Spanish candidature for Prince Thomas of Genos, and Victor Emmanuel has, it is said, refused spect to Pierre Bonaparte's conduct in the fatal department, as he feels no reliance that a republican to allow any reductions to be made in the army movement may not break out at any m mant, and he regards in metraille as the sole friend of his depart ed his visitors, then struck one of them, and fin- In such a case, and not without reason. The Mazzinians are gathering their forces for the coming seesion and Rattazzi has declared his intention of keeping bimself and his programme in reserve for the next defeat of the O binet. which, with Lanze in office is not very difficult to forese. Troubles in connection with the meal tex are again threatening, and troops were sent vesterday from Florence to Bologna, at tie desire of the Prefect, Count Bardessone.

Rous Fib 1 - The Pope has announced that be will bereater decline to participate ig the contro versy respecting the Dogma of Personal Infalli

Another public congregation of the Ecomenical Council was held to day, the Archbishop of Smyrns elebrared Mars.

The death of the Bishop of Lerida is announced. The efficial settlement just published shows that the Ecumenical Council now consists of exactly 760

Since the assembling of the Council seven of the members have died and four have left the city.

Writing on the 10th the Times correspondent says ; The Holy Father, it appears, is never excused attendance anywhere. He is really the most thoroughly used and hardes worked Sovereign in the world He had a reception yesterday, attended by 500 centleman and ladies who had sent in their cards some days before All describe it as a boar garden. As soon as the Pope made his appearance they all rushed at him, and the Swiss Guard had the greatest difficulty in keeping a space clear. The Pope was pleasant, frank and short. I must give the purport. I'm verv tired; I have a great deal to do; I've no time I should like to make the round of you all and exchange a few words but you really are too many for me. But you've come to see the Pope, and Voila, he exclaimed. clapping his hands on his side Thereupon they all cheered him loudly - this in the Pope's own library. The ladies, particularly the pretty girls, ran in between the Swiss Guard, seized the Pope's bands, and kissed them, to the indignation of the Swiss, one of whom called out, 'I hope you're satisfied now. Miss.' It was with difficulty the Pope escaped, leaving half the ladies in tears so they say,

The late Papal Constitution on Excommunication adds not a single new censure of any kind. It takes away five hundred, restrains and mitigates those which remain. Though most of the Bishops bear the burden of their own expenses, the expenditure of the Pope in hospitality of the Bishops who are destitute of means, is said to be £3,000 per week.

The Pope's table expenses rarely exceed thirty cents a day.

A Catholic paper has collected some of the eulogies once lavished upon the present Pope by prominent men and leading journals that have since proved themselves bitter and unscrupulous enemies of the

Pine IX, has done everything for Italy and the Church '-Gario ldi, 1847.
'Pius IX. is the angel who has saved Italy !-Ga-

zette Piedmontese, May 5, 1848.
The Sovereign Pontiff represents most nobly, the

dignity of the nation.'-G. Ferrari, Italian Deputy Nov. 25, 1883. Amidet all Italy's misfortuner, we have one con-

solation : Pins IX, still lives.'- Gazette del Popolo, 'Pius IX. is the bigh priest of mercy and forgive-

XIV., the mild firmners of Plus VII., seem to be ail united in the person of Plus IX De Boni. Roman Conspiration.

I must admit that Pins IX. is the most amiable and the most angelous of monerche'- Lord John Russell, 1860. Let us confess the truth. Plus IX is, at once, the

most just of severeigns and the most redoubtable of enemics. London Times, 1889. The throne of Peter is occupied by one of the most

illustrious. Pontiffs who has ever existed '- Emile Ollivier, 1865

"The only real champion of the rights of his fellowman who exists is the old man of the Vatican.'-

Breffeno, Ita ian Parliament, 1863. Pius IX, alone knows how to defend his rights with dignity.'- Diritto 1867.

AUSTRIA. THE CHURCH IN AUSTRIA: - It is always pleasant to have to record an act of justice. Unfortunately when the point at issue is the freedom of ecclesiastical authority, we have been of lafe scarcely accustomed to decisions in the sense of the one to which we a lade. The Bishop of Linz, had suspended one of his priests, a M. Hirsch, f r a canonical offence. The latter brought an action against the Bishop in the Civil Cour' of Linz, and failed, but carried the cause into the Court of Appeal and obtained dam-ges The Bishop thereupon appealed to the Supreme Court, which has just quested the judgment of the Court of Appeal and decided that the civil tribunsis have to jurisdiction over ecolesiastical cases; that they have no right to annul the decrees of the Episcopal Corsistory, which slone has power to judge offences against the Carons, in accords co with ecclesiatical law' This judgment secures the free exercise of episcopal jurisdiction which was no seriously menaced. We learn also from the Monde that the attitude of the populations in Hungary has in many places compelled the municipalities to revoke their decisions and re-establish the denominational schools - Tab-

The 'Methodist Home Journal,' published at Philade'phia says:- 'Whosoever has watched the Christian pulpit for the last quarter of a century must have ma ked a certain mobility in its teachings, the general current of which has been away from the frequent and emphasio denunciation of eternal and terrible tormants as the doom of men who live and die impenitent. "This change may be due, in small, part, to the teachings of Universalism; 'but must be "scribed largely to the growing desire of the pulpit to please the pews."

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Montreal, 19th January 1870. LEBLANG & CASSIDY. Plaintiff's Attorneys:

PROTINGE OF QUEBEC, SUPERIOR COURT INSOLVENT ACT OF 1864.

In the matter of RICHARD J DUCKETT of the Parish of St Polycarpe, Merchant, individually, and as Co-partner formerly with Dame Mary O Leblanc, under the name and style of R J Duckett & Co.,

The undersigned will apply to this Court for a discharge under the said Act, on Saturday the nineteenth day of February next

R. J. DUCKETT. by T. & C. C de LORIMER, his Attorneys ad litem.

Montreal, 13:h Jan. 1870. . 5in23

PROVINGE OF QUEBEO. SUPERIOR COURT. NOTICE is hereby given that Marie Adele alias Adelaide Dalton, of the City and District of Montreal, wife of Jacob Henry Dewitt, gentleman, hereto'ore of the Parish of St Jeachim de Chateauguay in the District of Beaubarnois, and now of the City and District of Montreal, has instituted before this Court an action in separation as to property against her said husband, the said action returnable on the

fifth of February next. Montreal, 21 January, 1870. LEBLANC & CASSIDY,

Plaintiff's Attorneys

INSOLVENT ACT OF 1869.

Dame Cecile Glackmeyer, of the City of Montresl, Trader, (marchande publique) wife duly separated as to property from her hasband, Albert Girard, of the same place, Trader,

I, the undersigned, Louis Gauthier, have been appointed Assigned in this matter.

reditors are requested to file their claims before me, within one month, and are hereby notified to meet at the office of Messre T & C. C de Lorimier, Advocates, No. 6, (Little) St J mes Street, in the City of Montreal, on Monday, the twenty first day of February next, at ten o'clock in the forencon, for the examination of the Insolvent, and the ordering of the affairs generally. The Insolvent is required to at-

LOUIS GAUTHIER,

Assignee. Montreal, 8th Jacuary, 1870.

PROVINCE OF QUEBEC, ? In the CIRCUIT COURT for District of Montreal. 5 the District of Montreal. The thirteenth day of December, one thousand eight

hundred and gixty nine. No. 7053. Present : The Honorable Justice Berthelot.

Dame Henriette Moreau, wife seperated as to properly from Hardoin Lionais, Esquire, the latter for be purpose of authorizing his said wife to the effect of these presents, both of the city and District of Montreal,

Francois Daze, laborer, and Dame Eleonore Ducaze, his wife the latter widow by her first marriage of the late Antoine Lescarbeau, in their quality of joint-Tutors to the children issue of the marriage of the said Eleonore Duceze with the said late Antoine Lescarbeau; the said Elopore Ducaze as well in her own name as having been commune en biens with her said late hesband Antoine Lescarbeau, the said Francois Doze, as also for the purpose of authorizing his said wife to effect of these presents, of the Parish and District of Montreal, Defendants

IT IS ORDERED, on the motion of Messes. Morray, Onimet & Lacoste of Counsel for the Piaintiffs, in as much as it appears by the return of Isaie Veronneau one of the Bailiffs of the Superior Court for Lower Canada, acting in the District of Montreal on the writ of Summons in this cause issued, written, that the Defendants have left their domicile in the Province of Quebec, in Canada, and canno: be found in the District of Montreal that the said Defendants by an advertisement to be twice inserted in the french language, in the newspaper of the City of Montreal, called "La Minerve" and twice in the English language, in the newspaper of the said City, called THE TRYS WITNESS, be notified to appear before this Court, and there to answer the demand of the Plaintiffs within two months after the last insertion of such advertisement, and upon the preject of the said Defendants to appear and answer to such demand within the per od aforesaid, the said Plaintiffs will be permitted to proceed to trial, and judgment as in (By the Court)

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