

# A WEEKLY JOURNAL.

Our Country, with its United Interests.

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WHOLE No. 541.

Father M-Namara, a New York clergyman, has taken a new departure with a vengeance. He was excommunicated from the Roman Catholic church, and he has now organized a new and independent church, to be called the "Catholic Church of Ireland." He renounces all allegiance to the Roman See, and denies all the dogmas that have been promulgated of recent years. He has revived the ancient order of Druids or Irish priest, and proposes to organize a small army to defend the interests of the Irish people.

—The RETIRING MINISTER.—Such is

resents Mr. Blake walking out of house with a bundle on his back, the moral weight of the Government).  
 • McKenzie, who stands in the door with a carpet bag full of Blake's Aurore reforms and other unfinished business, shouts to his departing ex-colleague, "Hi there! hand up! ye're in!" in aw the wrong baggage!" This is close hit at the state of the Cabinet present.

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How Sweet Must be the sleep of those who attend temperance meetings, watch their acquaintances take a glass and

"I am afraid you will come to regret," said an old lady to a young man, "I have come to want a divorce," was the reply; "I want your divorce," The old lady was visibly affected.

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## Local Legislature.

FREDERICTON, March 13.

divison committed a bill to enable County Councillors of Northumberland to receive remuneration for its services, Leighton in the chair explained the object of the bill, which was to enable parishes wishing to pay their Councillors to pay them of their own funds, and pointed out that in counties where there were parishes remote from the Shire town, it was a great hardship on the Councillors to attend; that some really could not afford to travel often many miles. He said this was not a compulsory measure but only a permissive bill to enable parishes to pay the Councillors.

ce he introduced the bill a number of members had expressed their wish to make it a general one, and he had wished to urge it on, but would give him an opportunity to have it amended so as to become a general bill. Wood and Butler considered that it was better to pay the Councillors by lease instead of so much *per diem*, otherwise the man who came 50 or 100 miles would only get as much as a man who came one mile. "Woodie" was in favor of the general bill. He thought it a very difficult matter for some Councillors to attend.

He thought it was worthy of consideration whether travelling expenses should be allowed. The Councilman thought that payment for actual attendance would hardly be payable at all, for while some Councilmen would have to travel from outlying parishes a great distance at a great expense, they would get no more than men who lived near the Shire town, so could attend to his business at the same time. He hoped the bill would be amended so as to meet the case.

He said that the matter of payment would be left solely to the parishes themselves, because the working of a system would not tend to the interests of the parishes. He thought it desirable that this should be a general bill, applying to the whole of the diocese, making the payment compulsory. He said that injustice would be done to the Councillors from remote parishes if they only received the same as those living near the Shrine. He also advocated the payment of travelling expenses in addition to a

on the same footing, so as to place them on a par with the others.

Ottrel was of the opinion that ancillors should receive pay out of County funds. Advocated change in the qualification, that of real estate only, in his opinion too large.

How was glad the matter had been brought up; would like to see a general bill introduced.

Crawford favored reporting progress. There seemed to be a general impression of opinion in favor of payment, but it had come from the Commissioners themselves, and he thought that perhaps it would be well to wait for

Smith said he had already pointed out when the Municipal bill was presented that it was unreasonable that millboards should serve for nothing, and he did not believe in general bills. There would be an election in a short time, and then Councillors could express themselves in favor of payment if they chose. He would not object to a vote for a permissive bill, and as the ratepayers' hands he thought they had come out of the County fund, the parishes were some of them

... (Gloucester) thought it would be poor principle to make the law a massive one for the result of this bill would be that the Councilors representing some parishes would be paid, while others would not. He thought they should receive mileage, but he wanted to call attention to the fact that the Councilors were now actually getting in their character of representatives, as much as it was proposed to be then by this bill. There were other matters he would like to see incorporated in the bill, for instance the giving of the oath of qualification.











