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## MONTREAL, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1854.

#### THE SIEGE. (From the London Times.)

VOL. V.

Oct. 19.-The enemy scarcely fired a shot during the night of the 18th. Our batteries were equally silent. The French, on their side, opened a few guns on their right attack, which they had been working to get into position all night; but they did not succeed in firing many rounds before the great preponderance of the enemy's metal made itself felt and their works were damaged seriously; in fact, their lines, though nearer to the enemy's batteries than our own in some instances, were not sufficiently close for the light brass guns with which they were armed .---At day-break the firing continued as usual from both sides. The Russians, having spent the night in repairing the batteries, were nearly in the same position as ourselves, and, unaided or at least unassisted to the full extent we had reason to expect by the French, we were just able to hold our own during the day. Some smart affairs of skirmishers and sharp shooters took place in front. Our riflemen annoy the Russian gunners greatly, and prevent the tirailleurs from showing near the batteries. On one occasion the Russian riflemen and our own men came close upon each other in a quarry before the town .---Our men had exhausted all their ammunition ; but as soon as they saw the Russians they seized the blocks of stone which were lying about, and opened a vigorous volley on the enemy. The latter either had empty pouches, or were so much surprised that they forgot to load, for they resorted to the same missiles. A short fight ensued, which ended in our favor, and the Russians retreated, pelted vigorously as long as the men could pursue them. The coolness of a young artillery officer, named Maxwell, who took some ammunition to the batteries through a tremendous fire along a road so exposed to the enemy's fire that it has been called "the Valley of Death," is highly spoken of on all sides. The blue jackets are delighted with Captain Peel, who animates the men by the exhibition of the best qualities of an officer, though his courage is sometimes marked by an excess that borders on rashness. When the Union Jack in the sailors' battery was shot away he seized the broken staff, and leaping up on the earthworks waved the old bit of bunting again and again in a storm of shot, which fortunately left him untouched.

Oct. 20.-Two 68-pounders were mounted last night in our batteries, and the firing, which nearly ceased after dark, was renewed by daybreak. We ing," which makes a great deal of noise, wastes much powder, and does very little damage. It is very hard to batter down earthworks. Most people about London have seen the Artillery butt at Woolwich. How long has it lasted our "heavy fire" of tigue; the daily service exhausts them, and the artillerymen cannot have more than five hours' rest in the takes them three hours to get down to their work and return from it to the camp. Our amateurs are quite disappointed and tired out. I fear so are people in England, but they must have patience. Rome was not built in a day, nor will Sebastonol be taken in a week. The hardest lot of all is reserved for our poor horses. All hay rations for baggagers are rigidly refused; they only receive a few pounds of indifferent barley. There is not a blade of grass to be had-the whole of these plateaux and hills are covered with thistles only, and where the other covering of the earth goes I know not. The hay ration for a charger is restricted to 6lb. daily. Under these circumstances horse-flesh is cheap, and friendly presents are being continually offered by one man to another of "a deuced good poney," which are seldom accepted. We could have stormed with more chance of success when we first set down before the place. Yes, we have reduced them to the state in which they were when we came up from Balaklava-i.e., left Sebastopol minus the batteries, if we can-we shall only have done, it is said, what we could have done then without going to all the labor of making our earthworks and trenches. However, I do not agree with this. No one could have calculated on the misfortunes of the French and on the weakness of their attacks.. The very work of silencing these Russian inflicted enormous loss on their troops, and have dahave unfortunately burnt the hospital, which, the de- There are now 18 deserters at head-quarters, in- most irregular and picturesque formation, covered and cantered towards the rear of our position. The

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and from the batteries. We have also destroyed a small war steamer.

Ocr. 21.-Any day is like another, and the scenes of yesterday are scarcely distinguishable from those all the forcats were let loose, as the Russians reof to-day. The enemy seemed more afraid of our | quired the prisons for hospitals. Lancasters this morning, and we are told they are drawing over towards the French. The latter become more vigorous in their fire, and are doing mark- | lava, and proceeded to march out to their camps, but results, and their works are creeping up hour after the poor fellows than it was pleasant to count fell hour towards the enemy's walls. Sandbags have out exhausted, proving that they had not quite recobeen placed on the top of most of the exposed public buildings, to prevent their taking fire. It is evident we must advance our works a little nearer. A trunnion was knocked off one of our new 68-pounders, and the gun rendered unserviceable in the right attack, where it was doing good service. The firing lasted on both sides, with short intermission, from sent as invalids to Balaklava. There is a steady sunset to sunrise. One's head aches with the repeated bursts of artillery.

Lord Dunkellin, Captain Coldstream Guards, and eldest son of the Marquis of Clanricarde, was taken prisoner this morning. He was out with a working we have been here, become a serious item in the agparty of his regiment, which had got a little out of their way, when a number of men were observed and wheels, for ammunition and forage. through the dawning light in the ravine in front of them. "There are the Russians," exclaimed one of to the main guard at Balaklava, except two, who are the men. "Nonsense, they're our fellows, said his employed with the Quarter-Master General's Staff lordship, and off he went towards them, asking in a to point out the sites of the magazines and public high tone as he got near, "Who is in command of buildings which should be destroyed. Our prisoners this party ?" His men saw him no more. As they contradict each other on many points, but all agree were unarmed, they retreated rapidly, but there is no fear of his lordship's safety, for the Russians fired | titudes of killed. On dit, that the Russian Governo shot, and merely closed round and seized him ere nor sent in yesterday to Lord Ragian to ask for a he could get away. No doubt he will be well taken day's truce to bury the dead on both sides. The care of, and forwarded probably to St. Petersburg, for his father was Ambassador at the Court of the Czar, and is said to have once enjoyed his friendship.

The Russians opened a very heavy cannonade on us this morning; they have always done so on Sundays. Divine service was performed with a continued bass of cannon rolling through the responses and liturgy. The French are terribly cut up by the Garden Battery, more so, however, by their misfortune of last night. The Russians made a stealthy sortie towards morning, and advanced close to the French pickets. When challenged, they replied "Inglis, Inglis," which passed muster with our allies as bond fide English, they say; and before they knew where are all getting tired of this continual "pound-pound- they were, the Russians had charged them, got into their batteries and spiked five mortars. They were speedily repulsed; but this misadventure has mortified our brave allies exceedingly. The night before they fired on a party of men who used the same passe partout, and they turned out to be Russians. artillery? Then, again, the Russians have plenty of They were too confiding the second time. We are communication with Balaklava. Their bands could unless the Turks of laborers. They easily repair at night what we de- all liable to mistakes. There was a great alarm the be heard playing at night by the travellers along the had done already. aborers. They easily repair at night what we de- an much to interest and the stations of Russians crossed Balaklava road to the camp, but they "showed" but Orders were despatched to Sir George Catheart us to do the same. Our men are worn out with fa- the Tchernaya, and deployed towards Balaklava, but little during the day, and kept up among the gorges and to II. R. H. the Duke of Cambridge to put we were quite satisfied to leave Sir Colin Campbell and mountain passes through which the roads to Inkerto dispose of them. However, at night musketry 24. They are relieved every eight hours, but it and cannon opened along the rear, and woke us all up. It turned out that the officer of marines on the heights had been told he always would have a clear space left for his guns to play upon in case of attack, and that some newly-arrived Turks, unawarc of this arrangement, had trenched on his space, with lanterns in their hands, whereupon, knowing the Russians were about, he blazed away at the poor "Bono Johnnies," all of whom he fortunately missed.

serters say, was full of wounded men from the Alma cluding a woman, who was taken as she was going down to visit a cousin (sweetheart) in the trenches. Two deserters leaped in through our embrasures.---They were Circassian prisoners. They reported that

Oct. 24.—About 500 men came to-day as fit for service, from Scutari. They were landed at Balakvered from their illness.

😤 The diminution of our numbers every day is enough to cause serious anxiety. Out of 35,600 men borne on the strength of the army there are not more now than 16,500 rank and file fit for service. Since the 10th of this month upwards of 700 men have been drain of some 40 or 50 men a-day going out from us, which is not dried up by the numbers of the returned invalids. Even the 20 or 30 a-day wounded and disabled when multiplied by the number of the days gregate. We are badly off for spare gun carriages

All the prisoners were sent in from head-quarters as to the damage done to the town and as to the mulsame authority has it that Lord Raglan replied "He had no dead to bury." The Russians in revenge for this are leaving their dead where they fall outside the lines, and also bring them out from the town and place them in the valley frequented by our pickets, and skirmishers who are much annoyed by the stench .---This is a new engine of warfare. An ambulance corps under Capt. Grant is doing good service now that it has arrived. There are two carts attached to each division, and each cart generally goes into Balaklava twice in the day with sick and wounded .----Diarrhœa is still prevalent. Full rations of fresh meat are issued whenever it is practicable, and double allowance of rum to the parties in the trenches. The weather continues to be beautifully mild.

THE CAVALRY ACTION AT BALAKLAVA.-OCT. 25.-It will be remembered that in a letter sent by last mail from this it was mentioned that 11 battalions of Russian infantry had crossed the Tchernaya, and that they threatened the rear of our position and our 2, 3, and 4, which would speedily be in their hands communication with Balaklava. Their bands could unless the Turks offered a stouter resistance than they that the position we occupied in reference to Balaklara was supposed by most neonle to be very strong French had made very formidable intreachments.-Below those intrenchments, and very nearly in a right line across the valley beneath, are four conical hillocks, one rising above the other as they recede from our The French General sent over to-day to ask for lines; the furthest, which joins the chain of mountains opposite to our ridges, being named Canrobert's Hill, from the meeting there of that General with Lord Raglan, after the march to Balaklava. On the top No incident of cursequence occurred to-day. It of each of these hills the Turks had thrown un earthen to them, with one artilleryman in each redoubt to look closed, the merchants fied, the goods placed under-neath in the cellars, and that the "pointed" balls and from the town. Supposing the spectator, then, to shells (Lancasters) do frightful mischief. There are take his stand on one of the heights forming the rear town of Balaklava, with its scanty shipping, its narrow teries. Many poor women and children have lost strip of water, and its old forts on his right band; their lives in this terrible cannonade. It seems in- immediately below he would behold the valley and plain of coarse meadow land, occupied by our cavalry tents, and stretching from the base of the ridge on which he stood to the foot of the formidable heights north side. Provisions still continue plenty and wa- at the other side; he would see the French trenches with it, some angular earthworks, then, in succession, total 71: plus 10 mortars, 81. The French have the other two redoubts up to Canrobert's Hill. At

with scanty brushwood here and there, or rising into barren pinnacles and plateaux of rock. In outline and appearance, this portion of the landscape is wonderfully like the Trossachs. A patch of blue sea is caught in between the overhanging cliffs of Balaklava as they close in the entrance to the harbor on the right. 'The camp of the Marines, pitched on the hill sides more than 1,000 feet above the level of the sea, is opposite to you as your back is turned to Seed damage on the left of their line. Their energy I regret to say that before they had marched many bastopol and your right side towards Balaklava. On in working the new parallels is rapidly producing its miles-indeed there are not many to march-more of the road leading up the valley, close to the entrance the road leading up the valley, close to the entrance of the town and beneath these hills, is the encampment of the 93rd Highlanders.

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The cavalry lines are nearer to you below, and are some way in advance of the Highlanders, but nearer to the town than the Turkish redoubts. The valley is crossed here and there by small waves of land.— On your left the hills and rocky mountain ranges gradually close in toward the course of the Tchernaya, till, at three or four miles' distance from Balaklava, the valley is swallowed up in a mountain gorge and deep ravines, above which rise tiers after tiers of desolate whitish rock, garnished now and then by bits of scanty herbage, and spreading away towards the east and south, where they attain the Alpine dimensions of the Tschatir Dagh. It is very easy for an enemy at the Belbek, or in command of the road of Mackenzie's Farm, Inkermann, Simpheropol, or Bakshi-serai, to debouch through these gorges at any time upon this plain from the neck of the valley, or to march from Sebastopol by the Tchernaya, and to advance along it towards Balaklava, till checked by the Turkish redoubts on the southern side or by the fire from the French works on the northern side, i. c., the side which, in relation to the valley to Balaklava, forms the rear of our position. It was evident enough that Menschikoff and Gortschakoff had been feeling their way along this route for several days past, and very probably at night the Cossaeks had crept up close to our pickets, which are not always as watchful as might be desired. and had observed the weakness of a position far too extended for our army to defend. and occupied by their despised enemy, the Turks. I. say "despised," because we hear from prisoners and from other sources that, notwithstanding all the drubbings received on the Danube from the Osmanli, the Russians have the most ineffable contempt for the champions of the crescent.

At half-past 7 o'clock this morning an orderly came galloping in to the head-quarters camp from Balakiava, with the news that at dawn a strong corps of Russian horse, supported by guns and battalions of infantry, had marched into the valley, and had already nearly dispossessed the Turks of redoubt No. 1 (that on Canrobert's Hill, which is farthest from our lines), and that they were opening fire on the redoubts Nos.

their respective divisions, the 4th and the 1st, in mann, Simpheropol, and the south-east of the Crimea motion for the scene of action, and intelligence of wind towards the interior. It will be recollected also the advance of the Russians was also furnished to General Canrobert. Immediately on receipt of the news the General commanded General Bosquet -even impregnable. Our lines were formed by to get the Third Division under arms, and sent a natural mountain slopes in the rear, along which the strong body of artillery and some 200 Chasseurs d'Afrique to assist us in holding the valley. Sir Colin Campbell, who was in command of Balaklava, had drawn up the 93d Higlanders a little in front of the road to the town at the first news of the advance of the enemy. The marines on the heights got under arms; the seamen's batteries and marines' batteries on the heights close to the town, were manned, and the French artillerymen and the Zouaves prepared for action along their lines. Lord Lucan's little camp was the scene of great excitement. The men had not had time to water their horses; they had not broken their fast from the evening of the day before, and had barely saddled at the first blast of the trumpet, when they were drawn up on the slope behind the redoubts in front of their camp to operate on the enemy's squadrons. It was soon evident that no reliance was to be placed on the Turkish infantry or artillerymen. All the stories we had heard about their bravery behind stone walls and earthworks proved how differently the same or similar people fight under different circumstances. When the Russians advanced the Turks fired a few rounds at them, got frightened at the distance of their supports in the rear, looked round received a few shots and shell, and then "bolted," lined with Zouaves a few feet beneath, and distant and fied with an agility quite at variance with com-from him, on the slope of the hill; a Turkish redoubt mon-place notions of Oriental deportment on the ferent beings from Turks in the Crimea, as it appears that the Russians of Sebastopol are not at all like the

assistance in silencing a new battery which tormented them excessively. We gladly rendered it, and si-lenced the battery ere sonset.

was all filled up with volleys of artillery. A Pole redoubts, defended by 250 men each, and armed with and some Russians deserted last night. They tell two or three guns—some heavy shin guns—lent by us us that the enemy have lost 3,000 killed and wounded, that the town is in a frighful state-the shops after them. These hills cross the valley of Balakla-

we could perhaps; but who was to know it? When no longer volunteers to work the guns, as there were of our camp before Sebastopol, he would see the at first. The men have now to be forced to the batcredible that the Russian authorities should have let them stay in the town when they could have easily have sent them across by the bridge of boats to the ter is abundant in the town. Our armament for tomorrow-will be, it is hoped, as follows :- Right atearthworks is productive of the best results, for by tack, 24 guns-two 68s; four Lancaster guns in bat- lower down; then another in the valley, then, in a line battle-held. But Turks on the Danube are very difthe time we do so we shall have cowed the enemy, teries between left and right; left attack, 42 gunsmaged the town, and rendered it unfit for defence. 56 guns; total, 137 for the allies. The Turks the distance of two, or two and a half miles across Russians of Silistria. So far, indeed, our shots anticipate our mission. We guard the rear, and have about 18 guns in all. the valley there is an abrupt rocky mountain range of al talen er skrevet som er fors er der er etter statet av angele

Soon after 8, Lord Raglan and his staff turned out

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booming of artillery, the spattering roll of musketry, | and Hussars. Then they move en en were heard rising from the valley, drowning the roar bodies, with another in reserve. The cavalry of the siege guns in front before Sebastopol. As I rode in the direction of the firing over the ithis des-and largestones which cover the undulating plain that stretches away towards Balaklava, on ablevel with the summit of the ridges above it, I observed a French light infantry regiment (the 27th, I think) advancing with admirable care and celerity from our right towards the ridge near the telegraph-house, which was already lined by companies of French infantry, while mounted officers scampered along its broken outline in every direction.

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General Bosquet, a stout soldier like-looking man. who reminds one of the old-genre of French generals -and then in one-grand-line dashed at the Highlanders. as depicted at Versailles, followed, with his staff and The ground flies beneath their horses' feet; gather- miliar to all who take interest in our cavalry for his ers who had just ridden over them, and, to the eter-a'small escort of Hussars, at a gallop. Faint white ing speed at every stride, they dash on towards that excellent work, published a year ago; on our drill and nal disgrace of the Russian name, the miscreants clouds rose here and there above the hill from the Cannonade below: ! Never did the painter's eye rest on a more beautiful scene than L beheld from the ridge. "The fleecy wapors still hung around the mountain tops; and mingled with the ascending volumes of sinoke, the patch of sea sparkled freshly in the rays of the morning sun, but its light was eclipsed by the flashes which gleamed from the masses of armed men below with sill words and thus, and second

Looking to the left towards the gorge, we beheld six compact masses of Russian infantry, which had just debouched from the mountain passes near the Tchernaya, and were slowly advancing with solemn. stateliness up the valley. Immediately in their front was a regular line of artillery, of at least 20 pieces strong. Two batteries of light guns were already a mile iniadvance of them, and were playing with energy on the redoubts, from which feeble puffs of smoke came at long intervals. Behind these guns in - front of the infantry were enormous bodies of cavalry. . Pheyswere in six compact squares, three on each flank, moving down en échelon towards us, and the -valley was hit up with the blaze of their sabres and "lance noints and gay accoutrements. In their front, and extending along the intervals between each bat--tery of guns, were clouds of mounted skirmishers, wheeling and whirling in the front of their march like autumn leaves tossed by the wind ... The Zouaves close to us were lying like tigers at the spring, with ready rifles in hand hidden chin deep, by the earthworks which run along the line of these ridges on our A forest of lances glistened in their rear, and severear, but the quickeyed Russians were manœuvring ral squadrons of gray-coated dragoons moved up broken in front, and had halted in the order I have on the other side of the valley, and did, not expose their columns to attack. Below the Zouares we could see the Turkish gunners in the redoubts, all in . confusion as the shells burst over them. Just as.I came up the Russians had carried No. 1 redoubt, the battle beneath our very eyes. Lord Raglan, all his Russians, and said, "There are the enemy, and there ifarthest and most elevated of all, and their horsemen staff and escort, and groups of officers, the Zoua- are the guns, sir, before them; it is your duty to were chasing the Turks across the interval which yes, French generals and officers, and bodies of take them," or words to that effect according to the lay between it and redoubt No. 2. At that moment the cavalry, under Lord Lucan, were formed in glit- the scene as though they were looking on the stage reluctance, gave the order to Lord Cardigan to ad-\*tering masses-the Light Brigade, under Lord Car- from the boxes of a theatre. Nearly every one disdighn; in advance; the Heavy. Brigade, under Bri-gadier-General Scarlett, in reserve. They were drawn up just in front of their encampment, and were ter, which they changed to a trot and at last nearly Don Quixote in his tilt against the windmill was not concealed from the view of the enemy by a slight halted. Their first line was at least double the near so rash and reckless as the gallant tellows who " wave? in the plain. Considerably to the rear of length of ours-it was three times as deep. Behind prepared without a thought to rush on almost certain "" wave" in the plain. Considerably to the rear of "their right, the 93d Highlanders were drawn up in them was a similar line, equally strong and compact. line, in front of the approach to Balaklava. Above and behind them, on the heights, the marines were wisible through the glass, drawn up under arms, and the gunners could be seen' ready, in the earthworks, ) in which were, placed the heavy ships' guns. The 93d had originally been advanced somewhat more into the plain, but the instant the Russians, got possession of the first redoubt they opened fire on them from our own guns, which inflicted some injury, and Sir Colin Campbell "retired" his men to a better advance, and threatens to annihilate them as they was a plain to charge over, before the enemy's guns position. Meantime the enemy advanced his cavalry pass on. Turning a little to their left, so as to meet were reached, of a mile and a half in length. At rapidly. To our inexpressible disgust we saw the the Bussian right, the Grays rush on with a cheer 11 10 our Light Cavalry Brigade rushed to the front. to them, in the hope that we would attack them in Turks in redoubt No. 2 fly at their approach. They that thrills to every heart—the wild shout of the En. The whole brigade scarcely mide one effective re- that position; but it was not our desire to risk a battle, and we had already found out that our position was an instant. giment, according to the numbers of continental ar-3, and towards Balaklava, but the horsehoof of the As lightning flashes through a cloud, the Grays and miss; and yet it was more than we could spare -Cossack was too guick for them, and sword and lance Enniskilleners pierced through the dark masses of were busily plied among the retreating herd. The Russians. The shock was but for a moment. There ed on them from the guns in the redoubt'on the right, yells of the pursuers and pursued were plainly audible. was a clash of steel and a light play of sword blades with volleys of musketry and rifles. They swept As the Lancers and Light Cavalry of the Russians in the air, and then the Grays and the redcoats disadvanced they gathered up, their skirmishers with appear in the midst of the shaken and quivering cogreat speed and in excellent order—the shifting trails lumns. In another moment we see them emerging of men, which played all over the valley like moon- and dashing on with diminished numbers, and in . light on the water, contracted, gathered up, and the little peloton in a few moments became a solid co-Jumn. Then up came their guns, in rushed their gunmers to the abandoned redoubt, and the guns of No. "God help them ! they are lost !" was the exclama-gredoubt soon played with deadly effect upon the dispirited defenders of No. 3 redoubt. Two or three With unabated fire the noble hearts dashed at their cle was never witnessed than by those who, without shots in return from the earthworks, and all is silent. enemy. It was a fight of heroes: The first line of the power to aid, beheld their heroic countrymen The Durks swarm over the earthworks, and run in Russians, which had been smashed utterly by our rushing to the arms of death. At the distance of confusion towards the town, firing their muskets at charge, and had fled off at one flank and towards the the enemy as they run. Again the solid column of centre, were coming back to swallow up our handful forth, from 30 iron mouths; a flood of smoke iss cavalry opens like a fan, and resolves itself into a of men. By sheer steel and sheer courage Ennisst caves, specific and so the flying Turks, killener and Scot were vinning their desperate way Their flight was marked by instant gaps in our ranks, steel flashes in the air, and down go the poor Moslen right through the enemy's squadrons, and already by dead men and horses, by steeds flying wounded or quivering on the plain, split through fez and musket-guard to the chin and breast-belt. There is no sup-port for them. It is evident the Russians have been too quick for us. The Turks have been too quick Dragoon Guards, and the 5th Dragoon Guards rushalso, for, they have not held their redoubts long ed at the remnants of the first line of the enemy, the most deadly accuracy with a halo of flashing since and the second body of Russian's many a noble fellow's death-cry, they flew into the second body of Russian's many a noble fellow's death-cry, they flew into the to bearalry; the distance is too great for shot or shell to the Grave of the Grave and the Grave and the Grave and their companions, but them to ut view the plain was strewed with their bodies and the batteries, which are placed along the French intrench- ter rout. This Russian horse in less than five mill with the carcasses of horses. They were exposed moments strive to, protect their flying countrynen; their nutes after it met our dragoons, was flying with all its to an oblique fire from the batteries on the hills on the rank and here all of a terms the state of some half mile; callify withing there all of the source of some half mile; callify withing there all of the source of some half mile; callify withing there all of the source of some half mile; callify withing there all of source of some half mile; callify withing there all of source of some half mile; callify withing there all of source of some half mile; callify withing there all of source of some half mile; callify withing there all of source of some half mile; callify withing there all call of some all of some all mile; callify withing there all mile;

have been pursuing the Turks on the right are com inglup to the ridge beneath us twhich conceals, ou cavalry from view of the heavy brigade in advance is drawn up in (two lines. The heavy brigade in advance is drawn up in (two lines. The first line consists in the Scots Grays and of their old companions inglory the Enniskillens; the second of the 4th Boyal Trish of the 5th Dragoon Guards and Statute and thin red streak topped with a line of steel. The Turks fire a volley at 800, yards, and trun. As the Russians come within 600, yards, down goes that line tained the most exalted opinions respecting the capa-of steel in front, and out rings a rolling volley of bilities of the English horse soldier. Properly led, Minlo: musketry. The distance is too, great ; the the British Hussar and Dragoon could in his mind Russians are not: checked, but still, sweep onwards break square, take batteries, ride over columns of roes as they returned to the place they had so lately with the whole force of horse and man, through the infantry, and pierce any other cavalry in the world as quitted in all the pride of life. At 11 35 not a Bri-smoke, here and there knocked over, by the shot of if they were made of straw. He thought they had one, awaits the bursting of the wave, upon, the line of power, and that they had missed even such chances far as it could be ascertained, in killed, wounded. Gaelic rock: but ere they, come within 150 yards, as they had offered to them, that, in fact, they were another deadly volley flashes from the levelled rifle, in some measure disgraced. A matchless horseman and carries death and terror into the Russians. They and a first-rate swordsman, he held in contempt, I am wheel about, open files right and left, and fly back faster than they came. "Bravo, Highlanders! his orders to Lord Lucan. He is now dead and gone. well done," shout the excited spectators ; but events God forbid I should cast a shade on the brightness of thicken. The Highlanders and their splendid front his honor, but I am bound to state what I am told are soon forgotten, men scarcely have a moment to think of this fact, that the 93rd never altered their premise that as the Russian cavalry retired, their inthink of this fact, that the 93rd never altered their formation to receive that tide of horsemen; "No," said Sir, Colin Campbell, "I did not think it worth ing men in three of the redoubts they had taken, and while to form them even four deep.!" The ordinary abandoning the fourth. They had also placed some British line, two deep, was quite sufficient, to repel guns on the heights over their position, on the left of the attack of these Muscovite cavaliers. Our eyes were, however, turned in a moment on our own, cavalry. We saw, Brigadier-General Scarlett ride the entrance to the gorge. Six battalions of infantry along in front of his massive squadyons. The Russians-evidently corps delite-their light blue jackets drawn up along their line, while masses of infantry embroidered with silver lace, were advancing on their were also collected on the hills behind the redoubts left, at an easy gallop, towards the brow of the hill. quickly to support them as they reached the summit. already mentioned. When Lord Lucan received the The instant they came in sight the trumpets of our order from Captain Nolan and used read it, he asked, cavalry gave out the warning blast which told us all we are told, "Where are we to advance to ?" Capthat in another moment we should see the shock of tain Nolan pointed with his finger to the line of the French infantry on the height, were spectators of statements made since his death. Lord Lucan, with They evidently despised their insignificant looking act without a support," that "infantry should be close enemy, but their time, was come. The trumpets at hand when cavalry carry guns, as the effect is only rang out again through the valley, and the Grays and instantaneous," and that it is necessary to have on Engiskilleners went right at the centre of the Rus- the flank of a line of cavalry some squadrons in cosian cavalry. The space between them was only a lumn, the atrack on the flank being most dangerous. few hundred yards; it was scarce enough to let the The only support our light cavalry had was the rehorses "gather way," nor had the men quite space serve of heavy cavalry at a great distance behind sufficient for the full play of their sword arms. The them, the infantry and guns being far in the rear. Russian line brings forward each wing as our cavalry There were no squadrons in column at all, and there advance, and threatens to annihilate them as they was a plain to charge over, before the enemy's guns broken order, against the second line, which is advancing against them as fast as it can to retrieve the fortune of the charge. It was a terrible moment .-gray horses and red coats had appeared right at the riderless across the plain. The first line is broken, Dragoon Guards, and the 5th Dragoon Guards rush- by those 30 guns which the Russians had laid with as they were still disordered by the terrible assault

thank his Lordship very sincerely," was his reply.— | ed troopers flying towards us told the sad tale-demi-The cavalry did not long pursue their enemy. Their gods could not have done what we had failed to do.

devotion to his profession, and his name must be fasystem of remount and breaking horses. I had the pleasure of his acquaintance, and I know he enterour, batteries above. With breathless suspense every not had the opportunity of doing all that was in their front of these bloody Museovite guns. Our loss, as afraid, even grape and canister. He rode off with his orders to Lord Lucan. He is now dead and gone. fantry fell back towards the head of the valley, leavthe gorge. Their cavalry joined the reserves, and drew up in six solid divisions, in an oblique line, across were placed behind them, and about 30 guns were on our right. Our cavalry liad moved up to the ridge across the valley, on our left, as the ground was death. It is a maxim of war, that "" cavalry never As they passed towards the front, the Russians open- minds therefore to let the Russians have redoubts Nos. ed on them from the guns in the redoubt on the right, with volleys of muskelry and rifles. They swept proudly past, glittering in the morning sun in all the pride and splendor of war. We could scarcely be-lieve the evidence of our senses. Surely that handful of men are not going to charge an army in position?" Alas! it was but too true-their desperate valor knew no bounds, and far indeed was it removed from its so-called better part-discretion. They from its so-called better part-discretion. They lery was made by two French batteries, who pushed advanced in two lines, quickening their pace as they on towards the front of our left in support of their 1,200 yards, the whole line of the enemy belched and flame, through which hissed the deadly balls .---it is joined by the second, they never halt or check their speed an instant, with diminished ranks, thinned smoke of the batteries, but ere they were lost from

have been pursuing the Turks on the right are com-dightin to her the second of the se loss was very slight, about 35 killed and wounded in At the very moment when they were about to retreat They saw their own cavalry mirgled with the troopnoured a murderous volley of grape and canister on the mass of struggling men and horses, mingling friend and foe in one common ruin. It was as much as our Heavy Cavalry Brigade could do to cover the retreat of the miserable remnants of that band of heand missing at two o'clock to-day, was as follows :-

	Went into	Returned	50 m g
	Action.	from	Loss.
la se se la se de la	Strong.	Action.	
1th Light Dragoons,	118	39	79
Sth Hussars,	104	38	66
Ith Hussars	110	25	85
Bth Light Dragoons,	130	61	69
7th Lancers,	145	35	110
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It is not certain that all these were killed, wounded, or missing; many may still come in, and about 80 wounded have already returned.

While our affair was going on the French cavalry made a most brilliant charge at the battery on our left, which was firing on our men, and cut down the gunners; but they could not get off the guns without support, and had to retreat with the loss of two captains, and 50 men killed and wounded out of their little force of 200 Chasseurs. The heavy cavalry, in columns of squadrons, moved slowly backwards, covering the retreat of the broken men. The ground was left covered with our men, and with hundreds of Russians, and we could see the Russians busy searching the dead. Our infantry made a forward movement towards the redoubts after the cavalry came in, and the Russian infantry in advance slowly retired towards the gorge; at the same time the French cavalry pushed forward on their right, and held them in check, pushing out a line of skirmishers, and forcing them to withdraw their guns. The Russians from the redoubt still harrassed us very much by shell and shot, and our infantry (First Division) were ordered to lie down our maining (First Division) were ordered to he down in two lines to escape their effect. The Fourth Divi-sion, covered by the rising ground, and two regiments of French infantry, which had arrived in the valley followed by a strong artillery, moved onwards to ope-rate on the Russian right, already threatened by the French cavalry. The Russians threw out skirmishers to meet the French skirmishers; and, as it would be madness to attack them as our light horse had done, the French contented themselves with keeping their position. At 11 a.m. the Russians, feeling alarmed at our steady advance and at the symptoms of our intention to turn or cut off their right, retired from No. 1 redoubt, which was taken possession of by the allies. At 11-15 they abandoned the redoubt No. 2, blowing up the magazine; and, as we still continued to advance. they blew up and abandoned No. 3 at 11 45, but, to our great regret, we were not in time nor in force to prevent their taking off seven out of nine guns in these earthworks. At 11 48 the Russian line of infantryall began to retire slowly, and a strong portion of it crept up the hills behind the 1st redoubt, which still belongs to them, in the hope that we would attack them in too large to be readily defended. We made up on 1, 2, and 3, and even 4, if they liked, and to content heavy guns of the batteries near the town carry so far as to annoy the Russians. At 12 o'clock the greater portion of the French and English moved on more rapidly, and an accession to the strength of our artilcavalry. The First Division remained still in line along the route to Balaklava. From 12 to 12 15 not a shot was fired on either side, but the Russians gathered up their forces towards the heights over the gorge, and, still keeping their cavalry on the plain, manco-vied in front on our right. General Canrobert, who had gone off a short time previously, to inspect the position of his troops from a telegraph stattion near us, returned, and had an animated conversation with Lord Raglan. At this moment the bugles of the French below sounded, and General Canrobert, shouting to the Zouaves in the trench, asked what that sonnérie signified : "C'est garde a nous, mon général !" was the reply. We all looked for a renewal of the action. At 12 28 the whole of the allies again got into action towards the enemy, with the exception of the First Division, which moved en echelon, towards the opposite hills, keeping their right wing wellibefore Balaklava. At 12/40 Captain Calthorpe was sent by Lord Raglau with orders to the troops, which seemed to have the effect of altering the disposition of our front, for the

### THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE.

# men and horses were alike tired and hungry, and the

Generally, and examined the enemy's position. It was ingether, and examined the enemy's position. It was dark ere, Lord Ragian returned to his quarters. With the last gleam of day we could see the sheen of the enemy's lances in their old position in the valley, and their infantry gradually crowned the heights on their left and occupied the road to the village which is be-. yond Balaklava to the southward. Our Guards were moving back, as I passed them, and the tired troops, French and English, were being replaced by a strong French division, which was marched down to the valley at 5 o'clock. All our operations in the trenches were lost sight of in the interest of this melancholy day, on which our Light Brigade was annihilated by their own rashness, and by the brutality of a ferocious feenemy and bend at as to an endourance.

#### IRISH INTELLIGENCE.

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THE PATRIOTIC FUND,-The appeal to Irish patriotism promises to exceed the anticipations of the most sanguine. The city of Dublin collection already ex-ceeds £2,000, including £500 from the Bank of Ireland. The metropolitan county has not yet met, but arrangements are in progress, under the direction of the Earl of Howth, for holding a meeting to promote the object of the Royal Commission.

The intelligence of the British casualties at Balaklava, created a feeling of gloom little, if anything, short of the painful excitement which followed the announcement of the terrible disaster at Cabul. The 17th Lancers, officers and men, were better known to the inhabitants of Dublin than almost any other cavalry regiment in the Queen's service, the corps having, upon its last tour of Irish duty, been quartered for nearly three years here, under the immediate com-mand of their then Colonel-in-Chief, Prince George of Cambridge. The record of casualties will probably show that a great number of the corps were natives of this country, and that no inconsiderable portion of men was furnished by the Irish metropolis. It was currently reported on Saturday evening that, with a view to cover the deficiency caused by the loss of the 17th, orders were despatched to the 16th (Queen's Own) Lancers, at present stationed in Cahir and Limerick, to hold themselves in instant readiness to pro-need to Cork, there to embark for war service in the East.

The only infantry regiments stationed in Ireland (exclusive of the depots of regiments on foreign service) are the 90th, Dublin ; the 72d, at Limerick ; and the 1st battalion of the 91st, stationed pro. tom. at Cork. The cavalry regiments in Ireland are-the 2d Dragoon Guards, at Dundalk; 3d ditto, Dublin; 7th ditto, Dublin; and the 16th Lancers, at Cahir.

THE IRISH WHISKEY TRADE .- The recent decree of the French Government, prohibiting the distillation of spirits from grain, is likely to prove a measure of no small importance to the interests of Ireland-primarily to the distillers, and indirectly to the farming. interest. Already a large quantity of Dublin-made whiskey has been contracted for; one house alone, Messrs. Henry Roe & Sons, it is said has shipping orders to the extent of between 300 and 400 puncheons, and there seems every probability that the trade will be a permanent one. At a recent meeting of the Dublin distillers, the price of the new whiskey was fixed at 3s 6d per gallon 25 O. P., at which figure it is anticipated that the trade will buy freely, inasmuch as the quantity bonded in the past season has been small. Patent whiskey still gradually creeps up.-Daily Express.

SALE OF ENCUMBERED ESTATES .- Property to the large amount of £135,300 changed hands on the 14th ult. in the Encumbered Estates Court. Of this sum the Mayo estates of Lord Oranmore realised no less than £125,300, and the rates of purchase generally exceeded the present marketable value of land-in most instances exceeding 30 years on the annual net rental.

The Kilkenny Journal states, that a rumor has been for some time very current, that measures will shortly.

APOSTATE PREST'S SOCRETY. -- Whilst the people of tion of the governor." And though this arbitrary or-Limerick, Wexford, Waterford, Dublin, and the other der is directly aimed against the Sisters of Charity, cities and towns of Ireland are meeting to sympathise it is not even pretended that they had ever infringed, must be some numerical ratio which will counterba-M'Gees, and the other hired men, who take part with the precious body, called 'The Priest's Protection Society.? I have watched these boys long and attentively, and I pronounce them to be the greatest of all, humbugs, or political cheats, who have been gulling, he people of England ! Whilst they never cease to call Papists (lovers of darkness, and enemies of the truth, I have vainly attempted to make them act openly, or tell the real state of their Society, for which they have been receiving so much of the public money. I have repeatedly called for the full accurate list of their & Converts from Popery,' similar to the account published for the last ten years in Battersby?s Registry of all the Clergy and Laity who have renounced Protestantism and united themselves, like the Newmans, Marshalls, Wilberforces, Fabers, Mannings, &c., to Catholicity? How many of these would be 'Protestant converts' have continued faithful to their true creed? Their manuer of life, and the peculiar holiness that marks their conduct? How much those few who continue in their apostacy receive every week, and on what conditions of mere outward conformity this sum is continued? To these and other important questions I can get no answers from these 'great public worshippers of truth.' But

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of this I am convinced, that of the eighteen or twenty "Popish priests,' whom, after so many years they had taken into ' their holy keeping,' from those who were suspended, or otherwise degraded and disgraced in the Catholic Church, scarcely three now remain receiving their wages of apostacy; that almost in all instances, the addresses, said to be drawn up by this 'Priests' Protection Society,' have been drawn up by its directors, or the un-Popish parsons; that they do not publish the retractations which so many of these once unfortunate apostates, but now repentant priests, have written and published, giving their motives for renouncing Protestantism, which they found rotten from its head to its tail; and that, to carry on 4 their work of truth and candor,' 4 this holy Society,' continues to publish, whilst 'its converts' have forsaken and despised it, letters of former years, in the names of those very men,-Cor. of Catholic Standard.

A MODERN MARTYR .- One of the most euthusiastic patrons of the Priest's Protection Society has had a perilous escape from that unromantic instrument of martyrdom-the treadmill. It appears that a certain Mr. Henry Young, having amassed a considerable fortune as "a religious attorney" in this city, retired from the profession a few years ago, and has since been inoculated with the mania of No-Popery. On coming out of the Priest's Protection Society last week, he encountered a Catholic Clergyman, the Rev. Mr M'Hugh, who had the audacity to be proceeding down Sackville-street in the broad day light, in his clerical garb. This was too much for the enthusiasm of the Modern Missionary-yet as he could not actually anticipate the Repeal of the Emancipation Act by handing the offender over to the police, he resolved upon effectually humiliating him at all events. "Go in there, and read that letter," he cried, stopping Father Me-Hugh in the pathway, and pointing to the door of the Protection Society, "What letter ?" demanded the astonished Priest, "Gavazzi's letter," replied the Missionary... "Why do you ask me to read such a document as that?" was the very natural rejoinder. "Because you are a rascal," replid the meek apostle of Sackville-street, "and because the Priests are all raseals, destroying the country." Now, outrages of this character have become alarmingly frequent of late, and the Rev. Mr. M'Hugh felt that it would be positively criminal to let this case proceed with impunity. Young endeavored to slink away but he was ultimately arrested, tried in one of the city police offices, and bound over in heavy recognizances to keep the peace-or be committed to prison for a month. And he was actually detained in the station house for several hours till the requisite legal securities were perfected. Humiliating position for an assailant of the Papacy! A cell in St. Angelo-a dungeon in

Madrid-even a Tuscan prison like that of the Madiai

Masons are in enstedy for " combination. ??. It appears that on the commencement of the railway to Foynes, Mr. Dargan required the Masous of Limerick to work for less than their, recognised wages-and they found it impossible to obtain an interview with him for the purpose of making a salisfactory arrangement. Under these circumstances they held aloof from the work, thinking to coerce Mr. Dargan into terms-but he promptly retaliated by despatching workmen to Linterick from all parts of the country. Their only alternative then was to frighten away the intruders-and hence the riot .- Nation.

DowLING v. SADLER.—In the Court of Queen's Bench on Tuesday, Mr. M'Donough, Q.C., intimated that a cousent had been entered into in this case, by which the plaintiff would be entitled to draw £1,100, the money lodged in court, and the proceeds of the verdict found for him.

Dr. H. Meyler 'is committed for defrauding Arthur L. Guinness, Esq., of £400 in bills and notes, upon the faith of having induced a Russian Prince to purchase Stillorgan Park.

An action is commenced against Mr. Franks, stipendiary magistrate, Queen's County, for false im-prisonment of Mr. Frederick B. Dixon's son, in Maryboro gaol, on suspicion of conspiracy to murder Thos. Brophy.

DREADFUL FIRE IN BELFAST. - About two o'clock on Wednesday morning a dreadful fire broke out in High-street, on the premises occupied by Mrs. Nicol, gunmaker, and Owen Kerr, bookseller. Several explosions of gunpowder took place, which blew up both houses, not leaving one stone upon another. The fragments strewing the pavement for a distance of 50 or 60 yards; no lives were supposed to be lost. In the ruins of the conflagration, however, the body of Mrs. Nicol was discovered in a mutilated state. No other lives were lost, but several of the inmates sustained more or less injury.

#### GREAT BRITAIN.

The Times says 7,000 men have already been sont by us to the Crimea, and all that is further required is the supply of 10,000 men to take the places of the sick, who, we fear, amount to fully that number. It is intended to send to the Crimea one more battalion of the Guards, the 97th regiment, from the Pirmus; the 62nd, from Gallipoli; the 34th, from Malta; the 71st, from Cork; The S2nd, from Edinburgh; and 90th from Dablin. There will be no difficulty, we under stand, in obtaining the services of any amount of militia that may be required to do garrison duty in the fotresses just left ungarrisoned. Moreover, we are recruiting at the quick rate of 1,000 men per week. Cavalry regiments at home will not be sent abroad, but will serve as training schools for the recruits o the regiments on foreign service. It is intended to raise each troop to seventy-five men, to add two troops to each regiment, which will give a total increase of 1,500 sabres to the force of the Crimea, besides all deficiencies occasioned by casualties is to be made up. Our allies are about to send in the English steamers S,000 excellent troops, to reinforce their army.

The Times urges upon the government the duty of immediately despatching every available sabre and bayonet to the seat of war. It gives but a gloomy picture of our position in the Crimea :- "When we reflect upon the numbers of the allies, and consider the loss with which such a success must inevitably have been purchased, the first feeling of exultation is chased away by the anxious reflection-how long can this state of things last? How many more such vic-tories can we afford to win ere we sink overwhelmed by the weight of our own triamphs, vanquished by our the Provinces ? Did they deem it warrantable to let own valor, and worn out by our own success? We occupy a position in which we are besieged as well instructor and guide in their own families, who, knowas besiegers, in which the initiative is no longer our own, and in which it is in the power of the enemy at any moment to force upon us another sanguinary engagement. Never was so pressing a necessity, never insist upon having these questions answered. so crying an emergency, never a position that de-public has an interest in having these question manded so imperiously a mind that can forestall instead of waiting on events, and can avert evils which sums to promote missionary undertakings, and they it may be impossible to repair, Once more, then, we press upon the Government the absolute necessity of sending reinforcements on a scale and with a despatch totally different from anything that has yet been done or thought of. We are weak in cavalry. Why is any cavalry here, where they can be of no possible use, when every horse and every sabre would be of such incalculable value in the Crimea? We have also several regiments in England which are not wanted either for the purpose of domestic police or defence from foreign invasion. Some of them have a claim on our consideration as having recently returned from long service in tropical climates; but what are such claims compared to the imperious necessity which calls at the present moment for the presence before the walls of Sebastopol of every available bayonet and sabre? We are sure that those do only ustice to the gallant corps we speak of who suppose that they would themselves desire no better than to join their countrymen and comtades on the scene of so much danger and so much honor. We have some two thousand men in Corfu, almost within reach of the electric telegraph. What is Corfu to us compared with the success of the present siege, involving as it does nothing less than the destruction of Russian power in the South, or the loss of an army such as this country must not lose and cannot replace?---Words are weak to express the earnestness of our conviction that the rate at which reinforcements are being sent out is merely trifling with the vastness of the present crisis. Every fresh account which we recieve shows that the enemy's force is continually increasing, while the best we can hope of our own is, that it has not as yet fallen below one-half of the number that

lance the moral superiority of the Western over the Eastern soldier. After what we have seen it were presumptuous to attempt to fix the point, but that point must, as matters appear to be going on at pre-sent, ultimately be reached. Surely, then, it is not too much to ask that when fifteen thousand of our countrymen are enacting such prodigies of valor, and evincing such incredible patience and endurance, a little corresponding animation and spirit should quicken the march of official routine. To place on board a few large steamers all the available force at our dis-posal, and send them at once to the Crimea, may neither be au act of exalted genius nor transcendant heroism, but it will do more for the cause of England in this hour of trial than all the genius and heroism in the world can effect if the opportunity be lost.-Moments on such an occasion are unspeakably precious, and every hour for which the sending the amplest reinforcements to our army is delayed is a heavy inisfortune to the nation; and casts an onerous respon-sibility on her rulers."

LORD HARDINGE AND THE 23D, FUSILEERS .- The promoters of the special subscription on behall of the bereaved survivors of the 23d have felt that the declaration of those who oppose the scheme (that the regiment is chiefly composed of Irishmen and Scotch) almost as a libel upon their countrymen. Their sense of injustice has reached the ear of the Commander-Fusileers, signed by its gallant and distinguished leader who fell so nobly at its head in the action of the Alma. I wish the return had specified Welshmen, and I shall give directions that in the Welsh Fusileers the four countries shall be separately and distinctly recorded. The number was969, of which only 8 were Scotch and 182 were Irish. But the Welsh Fusileers have always been a remarkable regiment, and their conduct on every occasion has shown that they have in no instance degenerated from their former fame. The Welsh Fnsileers were engaged at Albuera, and, by a curious coincidence, they lost 14 officers killed and wounded, the same as at Alma, but the loss of men was greater at Albuera, namely, 324 men, and at the Alma 197 men."

THE LONDON PROTESTANT MISSIONARY SOCIETY .---Among some ancient tribes a goat was sacrificed to celebrate the reconciliation of estranged friends. The sacrifice of Mr. Davies has solemnised the reconciliation of the Rev. Dr. Tidman and the Rev. Mr. Ainslie. The whole of the transactions brought to light in the course of this painful inquiry are full of matter for reflection. It has been a prevalent opinion in this country that "the May Meetings" brought together in Exeter Hall assemblies of men and women combining the harmlessness of the dove with the wisdom of the can peck at each other. We find the Rev. Mr. Ains-lie spending ever so much money upon a pamphilet to libel a rev. brother, and upon bill-handers to dis-tribute it at the door of Exeter Hall. And we learn that in the course of the controversy to which this pamphlet related some round dozen of divines have been bringing against each other actions and counter-actions for damages. But the lack of dove-like affec-tion in Excter Hall-whose inmates are obviously no "happy united family"-is the least important of these revelations. It appears that in 1850 a commit-tee of the managers of the London Missionary Scciety was appointed to inquire into certain charges against Mr. Davies, a Missionary. The committee passed sundry resolutions. One was, in effect, that Mr. Davies, by a letter he had written to a lady, had earned a character for "indisorction," which would "here-after prove prejudicial to his usefulness" in London. Another "pledged" the members of the committee "in the event of Mr. Davie's finding it his duty to withdraw from the metropolis" to "use their best efforts to introduce him to some appropriate sphere for the future exercise of his ministry.<sup>22</sup> Were these gentlemen of opinion that though a high standard of inotality is requisite in a metropolitan minister of the gospel, a lower standard may suffice for a minister for loose a man whom they could not trust as a spiritual ing nothing of his antecedents, could not be on their

be adopted (by the Pope of course) for prohibiting the clergy of Ireland from interfering in political matters. -Catholic Standard.

DUBLIN CATHOLIC INSTITUTE. -- We (Nation) make the following selections from an interesting lecture on "Tycho Brahe and the motion of the Earth," delivered before the "Catholic Young Men's Society," at the Rotando, on Monday, 13th Nov., by Matthew Fitzpatrick, Esq., A.B.:-"Brabe was a Protestant, and the leader of a party who branded Copernicus-a Catholic priest-as an infidel and an enemy to revelation, for advancing an astronomical theory apparently opposed to the statements of Holy Writ. His Protestantism has been passed over by his successive ad-mirers, that all the batteries of abuse may be discharged against the Inquisition in the case of Galileo. It is from no wish to introduce sectarian matters into a « scientific lecture his religion is alluded to; but that, with a due regard to historical truth, the balance of blame may be adjudicated between the parties. The lecturer laid it down that, wherever science and Scripture, are, or appear to be, at variance, the former should be, made to give way to the latter. Therefore the learned Date was correct in being slow to admit any theory which seemed to contradict the sacred volume. For we must recollect that many wild and fanciful chimeras have passed for philosophy in their dayindeed in our own enlightened ninoteenth century the "vaggaries of table-thrning and spirit-rapping have netually occupied the time and attention of respecta-ble individuals." Regarding the peculiarities of Tycho Brahe the lecturer spoke as follows —" While he was a thus so tenacious of Scriptural dogmas as to reject the hi theory of Copernicus, because it seemed to be hostile to them, he was so false to true religion and so super-stitious as to be deterred from his out-door pursuits by such bad omens as an old woman crossing the road or a hare seen on the left sides, He was, in reality, a "strange compound of acuteness and weakness—so thill guided by the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain to blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain the blow to the world's opinion that he was the strain the strai

would have some consolatory features of romance: but, 184 B. and the station-house ! Since Dr. Gregg was committed to Richmond Bridewell for his escapade in George's Hill, there has been no martyrdom so thoroughly absurd; and we trust it will be a salutary lesson to his fellow-fanatics.

A correspondent, writing from Castlepollard, calls attention to one of those occurrences so remarkably characteristic of Evangelicism. We give the matter in his own words :-- "A tew years since, when famine was pressing the poor, one of our townswomen was so unfortunate as to give two of her children to the Pro-testant Orphan Society. Recently, she resolved on withdrawing them from the society's clutches. On their coming home, the minister's wife told the mother she should give up the children, or the clothes which the society had given them .. In a few days after, one of its (employees' came and cut out the buttons and the coverings of the collars-the society's livery. He came again with the acting constable, and left both children in (statu puræ naturæ.? ?? We do not hear of such practices as this for the first lime. In '47 and '48 similar incidents were common in the missionary-infested districts of Cork and Kerry, and one remarkable case of stripping children formed the subject of an interesting trial at Tralee, before the judges of Assize, who, if we mistake not, instructed the jury to award damages against the perpetrators of the outrage.-Nation.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY.-Dr. Gregg and his pes-tilent clique of "Protestant operatives," have ob-tained a brilliant triamph over the Sisters of Charity. At a period when all Europe is filled with sympathy and respect for the heroism of these pious ladies in the Ciimea, they are selected as the mark of a ciuel and humiliating insult by the fanatics of Dublin. An order has just been issued by the Governor of the House of Industry, and sanctioned by the Poor Law Commissioners, for the specific purpose of excluding the Sisters of Charity henceforward, from the hospitals guard? Or do they think that " indiscretion" only in being found out? The public has a right to public has an interest in having these questions answered. The public contributes annually immense upon whom devolves the administration of these pions funds, ought to be like Cæsar's wife, above suspicion.

It is a sign of the times that the Press, the organ of the No Popery party, has been throwing out a feeler for the abolition of Guy Fawkes celebrations. "The usual explosion of pyrotechnic 'Protestantism' has just taken place, with more than its usual damage to life and property. At St. George's-in-the-East, a fire-work maker has had his house blown up, three of his children burnt to a cinder in bed, and his wife, with two others, are reported to have since died at the hospital. At Kirkställ, the beautiful Abbey ruins (the favorite holiday stroll of the Leeds attisans) have nearly been destroyed, fireworks having ignited the dry ivy that clusters round them. At excter, if we remember rightly, a year or two ago there was a riot on the occasion, and the town got on fire; Oxford and Cambridge contribute annually a traditional amount of bioken heads to the glories of the day. As a mere matter of prudence, among our thickly-peopled homes and quickly excited passions, it is surely time this mischievous nonsense was stopped ; and little boys of whatever age, taught to find more rational objects of interest than Guy Fawkes."

The London. Times has an article on the "Sabbath Question" which we would recommend to the attention of our Canadian Scribes and Pharisees :-

"The institution of Sunday, enforced as it is both by custom and by law, has led, particularly, as it appears, in the great cities of Scotland, 'to a lamentable amount of dissipation, drunkenness, disorder, and even crime. It is found that the greater part of the population of these cities seldom enter places of worship,

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#### **STATE SCHOOLISM.**

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A Friend to Education undertakes to refute our position-that the duties of the State towards the School, are the same as are its duties towards the Church, and that State has no more right to interfere with education than with religion. He argues : 1. "No country can be prosperous without an intel-ligent population."—Montreal Sun, 1st inst. 2. "Consequently it is the duty of the State to ren-

der its assistance to an impartial and general education of those who are too poor to obtain it for themselves."-Ib.

3. Therefore, the " Friend to Education" concludes to the desirableness of a connection between School and State. Let us see how far his argument is applicable to the desirableness of a similar connection between Church and State.

1. No country can be prosperous without a religious population.

2. Consequently it is the duly of the State to render its assistance to an impartial and general religious education of those who are too poor to obtain it for themselves.

3. Therefore, as such assistance can be rendered only in virtue of some connection betwixt Church and State, it is desirable that some connection be maintained.

Now we defy a "Friend to Education" to show any defect or flaw in our logic, to which his own is not equally obnoxious. Is " intelligence"-that is, as he defines it-reading, writing and purely secular instruction - necessary to the prosperity of a community? Much more so is religion. ' Is a population, ignorant of the arts of reading and writing, dangerous to the stability and progress of society? Much more so is an irreligious, vicious population. Therefore it is more incumbent on the State to render material assistance to the moral and religious, than to the merely secular, education to those of its subjects, "who are too poor to obtain it for themselves."-Q. **E. D.** 

We will go yet further, and with history as our witness, we will contend that the only education which causes a country to prosper, is a moral and religious education; that a country may prosperand that many countries have prospered-a great part of whose population are, and were, strangers to the arts of reading, writing and arithmetic-as in Europe in the middle ages ; but that no country has ever prospered-no matter how "intelligent" its population-[we use "intelligence" as the "Friend to Education" uses the word, to denote merely secular knowledge]-unless its population were at the same time moral and religious. The history of the world, we say, them were "Instruments of Torture;" he tickled shews that the rise and decay of nations have ever been coincident with the rise and decay of religion and morality; though the period of their decline has often been illustrated by the rapid spread of " intelligence" amongst their peoples. From these facts we conclude that "intelligence"-as the "Friend to Education" uses the term-does not, unless accompanied with religion, promote the prosperity of a country : but that on the contrary, it often has accelerated, and therefore may accelerate its fall. We say not this to depreciate, or as if we undervalued the importance of, secular education. Our design is to show that the argument in favor of State assistance to secular education-based upon the connection betwixt an "intelligent" population and a " prosperous" country-is at least as strong in favor of State assistance to religious education; and that turally he was a greater favorite with the Protestant as a religious population is fully as necessary to the prosperity of the country as is an "intelligent" one, it is as much the duty of the State to make material provision for, and to render its pecuniary assistance to, the spread of religion, and religious knowledge, as it is its duty to render assistance to merely secular had begotten him, and with whom he professed to be education. But then, admits our " Friend to Education," " it is the duty of the State to render its assistance to an impartial system of education. Here is a point upon which we shall most decidedly not differ : and print, and, through the columns of the Edinburgh it is because we contend for "impartiality," that we insist upon the duty of the State, if it renders its Examiner, proceeded to take vengeance upon the assi-tance atall, either to religion or to education, either to Church or to School, so to render it, as that all its subjects shall be, able, without doing violence to their sincere, even though mistaken, conscientious convictions, to avail themselves of that assistance .--If you tax us for School or Church purposes-we say to the State-give us in return for our money, the merit of having been the "humble instrument" Churches or Schools of which we can make use without doing violence to our religious scruples. We do scorn the idea, that he has any intimacy or connecnot feel called upon to prove that our scruples are tion with the pseudo Chevalier. " After a mere acci-Education," the State cannot take eognizance of, my honor." Finally he refers the curious to the Macdonnells, not M'Sycophants; they are not such a

upon to plead in defence of our conscientious religious scruples before its bar." In that we have them, we have the right to demand of the State to respect them. It is thus that the Dissenter in England argues against the injustice of compelling him to pay for a State Church, and a State religion, against which he entertains conscientious religious scruples. The Dissenter has a good cause of complaint against the State-not in that it makes provision for religious purposes but in that it does not make that provision "impartially." Nor would his argument be set aside by the denial of the reasonableness of his scruples. The Presbyterian may be in error in renouncing Episcopacy-his scruples, against Bishops .may be most unreasonable-and yet for all that it would be most unjust on the part of the British Government to tax both Presbyterians and Episcopalians indiscriminately for the support of an exclusively Episcopal form of religion. In that the Presbyterian has religious scruples—and not because his scruples are reasonable-is the State bound to respect them, and, if it makes any provision for religion at all, to make it in such a manner that both Presbyterians and Episcopalians shall be able to avail themselves thereof.

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Now apply this argument to the separate school question in Canada, as maintained by Catholics.-We complain of being compelled to pay for State Schools, and a State education, against which we entertain religious scruples. We complain not, that the State makes provision for educational purposesbut that it does not make that provision " impartially"-unless "impartiality" consists in cutting down, or stretching out, all men's moral and religious opinions according to one State standard. Nor is our plea invalidated by the denial, on the part of the friends of State Schoolism, of the reasonableness of our religious scruples. We may be in error in renouncing Protestant schools, and our scruples against a Methodist Chief Superintendent may be most unreasonable-Yet for all that, it is most unjust on the part of the Canadian Legislature to tax Catholics and Protestants indiscriminately, for the support of an exclusively Non-Catholic system of education .-In that Catholics have religious scruples, and not because their religious scruples are reasonable-is the State bound to respect them; and, if it makes any provision for education at all, to make it in such a manner that both Catholics and Protestants shall be able to avail themselves thereof.

And this can be done only, by giving to Catholics, Catholic Schools-and to Protestants, Non-Catholic schools. In other words we must have Separate Schools.

#### THE CHAMPIONS OF PROTESTANTISM.

The old proverb, " when rogues fall out, &c;," has received a remarkable confirmation during the past week, in the squabbles of Gavazzi with another convert to Protestantism, who rejoices in the style and dignity of André Massena, Baron de Camin, Chevalier of the Legion of Honor, &c., &." From the Scotch press we have been enabled to glean the following particulars.

The said Baron de Camin, has for some time been ecturing in the chief cities in Scotland with great applause, and under the special patronage of the erangelical clergy, against the "Horrors of Popery and the Papal Inquisition." He had been—so he declared—an Inquisitor himself, of the Order of St. Dominic, and was fully versed in all the mysterics of the modern Babylon. He was a universal favorite. He held up to the admiring gaze of the old women around him, horrid looking machines which he assured the prurient fancies of the young women with those stories and obscene jests in which the good souls so much delight; and for all he had wondrous tales, and thrilling experiences, illustrative of Romish barbarities, and of God's wonderful dealings, Who had been pleased to bring him-the Baron de Camin, and Chevalier of the Legion of Honor-out of darkness into light-transplanting him into the kingdom of His dear Son. The Baron's success was complete ; crowds rushed to hear him, and the money flowed in a-nace. But the dream was too bright to last. The great A. Gavazzi looked with a jealous eye on the Baron, as a poacher on his special preserves. In fact, the French Baron was a bigger liar, and, if possible, a more obscene blackguard than the Italian Patriot ; napublic. It seems too, that, in the early part of his career, the Baron had sought to increase the interest of the public in his behalf by representing himself as a convert of the great Gavazzi, for whom he professed warm affection as for his spiritual father who on terms of great intimacy. These pretensions gave Gavazzi the opportunity of, as he hoped, dealing a mortal blow to the reputation of his rival in the art of gulling the Protestant public. He rushed into Guardian-a Presbyterian paper-and the Glasgow Baron. His letters are before us. The Italian Padre begins by disclaiming any connection with the "so called Baron de Camin," who, he insinuates, is little better than a rogue, and if a Chevalier at all, not. of the Legion of Honor, but of "L'Industrie." Gavazzi then goes on to disclaim -" hands of God," and so on ; and repudiates wills well founded ; for scruples belong to the domain of dental intercourse"---says Gavazzi-"I was obliged conscience, and, in the words of our "Friend to to exclude him from my house, to save my peace and

To these taunts and accusations the Baron de Camin replies through the Scottish Press; in which he retorts upon Gavazzi the charge of being a rogue. and a liar :---

"Of him" (Gavazzi)—the Baron says in his rejoinder -"I may say truly that I have more in my power to work upon for his damage, than anything he can pro-mulgate against me, if I chose to employ it. With regard to the French Embassy, it it be true that he has written or said that which is prejudicial to the truthfulness of my statements, regarding my former position in France, and my high family connexions there—if he circulates that I am not a nobleman, neither an officer of the Legion of Honor, he shall yet liemble for his audacity.<sup>23</sup>

Thus the " Pot and the Kettle" call one another harsh unscriptural names, whilst the unevangelical world looks on, highly amused at the squabble betwixt two such "eminent professors," and eagerly expects still further disclosures. We all know how it is when two old Billingsgate hags fall out; and what extraordinary revelations are brought to light by their zeal to prove one another rogues and prostitutes. So, no doubt, will it be in this guarrel betwixt the leading champions of Protestantism, during the course of which we may expect to learn the true histories of both. "Memoirs of Gavazzi, by the Baron de Camin"-and "A Life of the Baron de Camin, by A. Gavazzi"-will prove, no doubt, invaluable additions to the Protestant literature of the day. We hope that they may be shortly forthcoming.

We publish; as an act of justice to the writer, the subjoined letter from Mr. D. A. Macdonald, on the subject of his dispute with the Priest of Alexandria, the details of which we laid before our readers some weeks ago. In his letter, it will be seen that Mr. Macdonald denies the charge we brought against him, and out of which the whole of the subsequent proceedings sprang; though, in an article from the Cornwall Constitutional-an article written, if not by Mr. Macdonald himself, at all events by one of his friends, and apparently, under his immediate inspiration-the substantial accuracy of our version of the affair, as we received it from our Alexandrian correspondent, is fully confirmed.

The charge against Mr. Macdonald, as preferred in the columns of the TRUE WITNESS, amounts to this-that he-professing himself a Catholic, and being a mere layman, who, "however well skilled he might be, as a miller, or as a retail dealer in groceries or dry-goods, was most certainly not entitled either by birth or education to dictate to the men of Glengarry how they should bring up their children"-did, immediately after divine service-during the course of which the people had been exhorted from the pulpit to exercise their rights as freemen, and to fulfil their duties as Catholics, by establishing a school where the faith and morals of their children might be preserved from the risk of contamination—summon the departing congregation around him, and, most impertinently, considering his position, did then, and at the church door, advise his hearers to slight the exhortations of their pastor, and to set at naught | best guide" by others. As a "Brilish freeman." he the commandments of the Catholic Church, speaking is at perfect liberty to hold, and give utterance to, by the voice of her Bishops and the Sovereign Poniff. He, Mr. Macdonald-in the words of the TRUE WITNESS-" denounced separate schools-and advised his hearers to retain the mixed school system; whilst, in all their Pastorals, and in the decrees of their Provincial Councils, ratified by the successor of St. Peler, mixed schools have been condemned by the Bishops of Canada, as altogether dangerous to taith and morals-and the Catholic laity have been everywhere exhorted to struggle for the support of the separate schools denounced by Mr. M'Donald.

This was the gist of our accusation ; and how does I meet it? In his I Maedonal

or regulate the spiritually moral government of men's. French Embassy in London, where full details of the miserable, contemptible set of lick spittles, as to hearts and consciences." We cannot then be called Baron may be easily obtained. education of their children, because he has managed to amass money by business habits. In the States, the Almighty Dollar, and its possessor, may be so worshipped by the votaries of Mammon; but not so amongst honest, true-hearted Scotch Catholics .--Their religion has taught them that it is not a man's position as a merchant, nor his business habits in the dry-goods' line, that can entitle him to be " looked up to;" and their every day's experience must have shown them that the acquisition of wealth, by nomeans implies the possession of any estimable or honorable endowments-either moral or intellectualon the part of the acquirer. No-put into plain English-the language of the Cornwall Constitutional means just what the TRUE WITNESS stated -that Mr. Macdonald fancies himself entitled-on account of his business habits, and the dollars he has accumulated-to be "looked up to" by the Scotch Catholics of Alexandria as "their best guide" in all "school matters." This it may indeed mean; but we trust that it will not be taken as evidence that our Scotch friends are the sordid, mean spirited sycophants whom the Cornwall Constitutional describes as " looking up to" Mr. Macdonald " as their best guide." When Scotchmen do " look up," we trust they have manly pride enough to look a little higher; and when Catholics do prostrate themselves in worship, it is before some object nobler than a man of "business habits." We say this, not in disparagement of Mr. Macdonald, but in vindication of the Scotch Catholics of Alexandria, so foully libelled by the writer in the Cornwall Constitutional-but who, we trust, will shew at the next election how unfounded is the degrading imputation cast upon their honor as Scotchmen, and their fidelity as Catholics.

With these remarks, we publish Mr. Macdonald's letter, though we see no reasons for retracting or modifying a single expression in our article of the 10th ult. We still look upon Mr. Macdonald's conduct, as most unbecoming. As insolent and overbearing, in the highest degree, to the people of Alexandria, to whom he had the impertinence to set himself up "as their best guide" in matters pertaining to the education of their children-and as unpardonable on the part of one who professed himself a Catholic. As a "British freeman," Mr. Macdonald had the right. no doubt, when, where, and as he pleased, to give utterance to his opinions on the separate school system; no one, least of all the TRUE WITNESS, will attempt to deny this right, or to limit its exercise .--But we do deny to any man, and to all men, the right to play the hypocrite-to profess one thing, and to practise another. We do deny even Mr. Macdonald's right to call himself a Catholic, whilst stigmatising as pestilential the separate school systemsanctioned by the Church, recommended by the Biships, and lauded by the priests; we do deny his right to set his feet even inside a Catholic church, when, at the door, he exhorts his hearers to shun the counsels therein given by their legitimate pastors "as they would a pestilence;" in fine, we do contest-his right to profess a religion which he evidently abhors-and his claims to be " looked up to" as " their his peculiar opinions. But, as he cannot hold them without inso facto ceasing to be a Catholic-if he wishes to be deemed an honest man, if he does not desire to be "looked down upon" and despised by every honest man as a hypocrite-let him, in the name of common sense, whilst retaining those opinions, renounce his profession of Catholicity, and cease to bring scandal upon our holy religion.:-

#### To the Edilor of the True Witness.

Sir,-I have just been shown your paper of the 10th inst. containing a fierce personal attack on me, in reference to a suit for slander, instituted by me against the Rev. John M<sup>c</sup>-Lachlan, Catholic Priest of Alexandria. I do not intend now to answer your remarks, at any length, as the strange romance you have hashed up has so disguised the matters at issue be-tween your Rev. client and myself, that they can scarcely be recognised by any one acquainted with the real facts of the case. I shall in a short time, however, procure the necessary documents &c., to enable me to publish an authentic state-ment of the whole affair, including the incidents arising fromor connected with the original subject of quarrel. I will then request you to give insertion in your paper to my version of the contestation, which I imagine you will not hesitate to do. on the common principle of fair play towards friend and for, which all public journalists profess to act up to. Permit me, in the meantime, to correct one or two inac-curacies into which you have fallen, and which require no conflictation by documentary evidence—at least in Glengarry. In the first place, it is absolutely fulse that I was "fed" or "educated" by or at the expense either of the Pastors of the Catholic Church, or any church whatever. But suppose that I had been, does it follow that I must exhibit my gratitude by I had been, does it follow that I must exhibit my gratitude by acting at once contrary to law and the dictates of my con-science. Such may be your opinion, but it is not mine. As re-gards your smeer about the "Chief of Glengarry," by which appellation you are pleased to dub me, you only show your ignorance in venturing on such an absurd fiction. Be it known unto you—since you have mooted a subject so impor-tant—that I. do not belong to the Glengarry branch of the sept or clan, and that every man, woman and child in our county would laugh at such a pretension on my part, as hearti-ly as they do at you for supposing that I could assert such a claim. ly as they do at you for supposing that I could assert such a claim. I am perfectly willing to be judged by my countrymen and the public generally, on the merits of the dispute between me and the Rev. John M'Lachlan; nor will I shrink from the contest he has forced upon me. My object was and is to pre-vent him from illegally and unjustly tyramnising over my Pro-testant neighbors, who happen to be in a minority in the vil-lage of Alexandria; exactly as I would do my utmost to shield a Catholic minority under similar circumstances. But why should you or your Reverend instigator attack others through me? Neither my brother, Mr. J. S. Macdonald, mem-ber for the County, nor I, have ever said that we held the Catholics of Glengarry " under our thumb." But this false-hood is only in character with many similar calumnies arising from the same source. from the same source. In conclusion, I may as well here state that I never opposed Mr. McLachlan in his attempt to establish a Catholic school in Alexandria. But I certainly did oppose, his scheme of cor-verting the Common School of the village into a Catholic school, because the School-house was erected at the joint ex-pense of Catholics and Protestants, and because, chiefly by his plan of teaching purely Catholic doctrines in his intended school, the Protestants would virtually be left without the means of educating their children at all. But Taball e this and other maners more fully on a future occasion. But I shall explain

having opposed the Rev. Mr. M'Lachlan's plan for forming a separate Catholic school; he says :- " I never opposed Mr. M. Lachlan in his attempt to establish a Catholic school." In the Cornwall Constitutional, on the contrary, we read that, on the ocsion alluded to, Mr. Macdonald did most warmly oppose Catholic separate schools. He is there represented as having warned his hearers :---

"That, if they wished their children to grow up in harmony and good fellowship, free from the bitterness ot sectarian bigotry, they would shun the separate sys-tem, so much lauded by the priest, as they would a pestilence."- Cornwall Constitutional.

Of these two contradictory statements, one must be false; we cannot say which-non nostrum tantas componere lites. For the credit of the Scotch Catholics of Glengarry, we trust that the statement of the Constitutional is exaggerated; and that they did not disgrace themselves, their name, their country, and their religion, by tamely listening to language so indecent. An Irish Catholic congregation at least. would not have submitted to such insolence. Had they been so addressed, in front of St. Patrick's Church on a Sunday after Mass, and told to "shun their Priest's advice as they would a pestilence," we greatly fear that the incautious speaker would soon have become aware of the toe of an Irishman's boot in unpleasant proximity to his sitting part, even if a worse thing did not befall him. Our Irish friends are not the men to allow their Clergy to be wantonly insulted at the church door by any one; and we hope that the Scotchmen of Alexandria are not altogether so tame spirited as the Constitutional represents them.

The Cornwall Constitutional insists too, that, from " his position" and " business habits" the people of Alexandria have always "LOOKED UP TO" Mr. Macdonald " as their best guide" in all " School matters." This we besitate not to pronounce false .--The men, the Scotch Catholics, of Glengarry, are

I am, Your obedient servant, D.A. MACDOSALD-Montreal, 16th Nov., 1854.

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The N.Y. Herald has an article, upon, John Mitwhell add the "Know-Nothings," in which, in spite writer tells John Mitchell and his friends some home truths... It is true that, in the conduct of a certain class of foreigners, resident in the United States, is to be found, to a certain extent, the justification of the "Native-American" movement. A viler rabble, a more utterly degraded and detestable class of human beings, than that which is recruited by the demoeratic and Protestant immigration from Germany and other parts of Europe, is certainly not to be found in any country on the face of the globe. Without honor, without religion, destitute of all respect for the laws of God or the laws of man, Protesting against all authority, human as well as divine, these men have earned for the country which has given them retuge, an unenviable notoriety in the annals of rowdy ruffianism. These are they who, at Cincinnati and N. York, and acting under the directions of Gavazzi and his colloborateurs, attempted the life of the Nuncio; and who, both before and since, have taken a prominent part in all the anti-Catholic, democratic and socialistic movements of the day. These are the true pests of American society; and if it were against these that the "Know-Nothing" agitation was directed, we should be inclined to hail the "Know-Nothings" as the best friends of their country in particular, and humanity in general; in error, certainly, as to their means, but highly to be praised as to their objects.

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Unfortunately, however, it is not at all against these, that the "Know-Nothings" have declared war-but against the best and soundest part of the American population-the quiet, orderly, well-behaved, God-fearing, and law-abiding Irish Catholicsagainst the victims, not against the perpetrators, of those unmanly outrages upon churches and convents, nuns, and ecclesiastics, which have brought indelible disgrace upon the American national character. The "Know-Nothing" movement is not, as has been ably shown by Dr. Brownson-who, we may remark, en passant, has been either most wonderfully misunderstood, or misrepresented-is not a national movement, but simply Protestant, or anti-Catholic. Appealing in justification of its origin, to the excesses and disorders introduced by a certain class of immigrants, it serves but to perpetuate and exaggerate these same excesses and disorders ; it imitates, or rather servilely copies, the worst features in the conduct of those whom it professes to condemn: it sympathises with the offenders, and is formidable only to the friends of peace and order, of religion and good government. In a word, "Know-Nothingism" is but a Yankee " Orangeism," brutal and blood-thirsty as its Trans-Atlantic prototype.

It is from ignoring these facts that the N. York Herald fails in its defence of the "Know-Nothings." It is right, when it says to John Mitchell and the leaders of the foreign demagogueism-you, and such as you-have brought about this crisis. But it errs in that it fails to perceive, or at all events to admit -that it is not against the John Mitchells and foreign demagogues of a similar stamp, that the "Know-Nothing" movement is directed-but against the unoffending and industrious adopted Catholic citizens of the United States, to whom the doctrines of John Mitchell of the Citizen, the Irish American, &c., are as odious as are those of Gavazzi or the Rev. Mr. Orr. No doubt, there are Irishmen, as there are men of many other origins in the United States, who, as the N. Y. Herald says, "lead a proverbially riotous, disorderly, and turbulent life;" who wreck churches, tar and feather priests, asssault Sisters of Charity, and burn convents. No doubt there are Irishmen, as there are also Englishmen, Scotchmen, Frenchmen, Germans, and Italians, who make a vile use of their political privileges; no doubt these men are a pest to society, and a curse to the land in which they live. But it is not upon these that the wrath of the "Know-Nothings" is wreaked; it is not against the fillibusterers, the rictous, disorderly and turbulent, against the foreign democrats and Protestants that their efforts are directed-for these are the enemies of Catholicity, but the allies of the "Know-Nothings," who at all events "Knowenough" not to wage serious war against their best friends.

that, if she wanted help, slie, must apply to the Promagistrate.

This is a bad beginning; and should teach Catholics caution, as to how and to whom they entrust their money. If, indeed, the Protestant ministers are to be the sole channel through which relief is to be doled out-and if Catholic widows must make application to a Government clergyman, we have too much reason to fear that the "Patriotic Fund," like so many other public charities, will soon subside into a mere instrument of proselytising, and become a fearful engine in the hands of the unprincipled fanatics of Exeter Hall. Loudly would Protestants complain if the control over a Fund to which they had contributed, for general purposes, were to be committed exclusively to the Catholic Clergy ; nor would their complaints be unreasonable. And yet the Hon. Secretary of the "Fund" tells the public that claimants for relief must apply to the Protestant clergy-men recognised by Government. We trust that this resolution will not be persisted in; but that a Committee composed of both Catholics and Protestants will have the management of, and control over, the funds collected. It was so here in Montreal, after the fire of '52. One general relief committee, composed of men of all denominations -and of which all the clergy were, if we recollect right, requested to become members-was appointed, and did its work well and impartially. Had the management of the funds, however, been restricted to the clergy of one denomination only, the result would have been very different.

#### We copy from the Quebec Gazette:--

"A man has lately been tried at the Londonderry Assizes for burning a copy of the Scriptures, and received his just desert. It appears that a Scotch cler-gyman of the Secession Church gave a copy of the Bible to a man named Dillon, a Roman Catholic, and that the latter, going to a public house, showed the book to the defendant, who said it was an adulterated version, and threw it into the fire. The jury found him guilty of burning the authorised version, but acquitted him on the counts charging an intention to bring the principles of christianity into disrepute.-He was sentenced to six months imprisonment."

"His just desert !"-and why so good Mr. Gazette? or why should it not be as lawful for Catholics, with the permission of its owner, to burn the book which you call the Bible-King James' Bibleas it would be for you to burn the book of Mormonor Joe Smith's Bible-if it fell into your hands ? It does not appear that the defendant possessed himself of the book by force, or destroyed it in such a manner as to give offence to Dillon, or any one else .-Had he done so, had he taken the book by force, or had he publicly and deliberately insulted any of his fellow citizens by wantonly destroying books which they deemed sacred, and with the intent of outraging and shocking their religious feelings, he would justly have deserved punishment ; as justly as do the Protestant scoundrels in the United States and in Great Britain, who habitually, and with the design of outraging the feelings of their Catholic fellow subjects, desecrate Catholic Churches, and make a parade of trampling upon and destroying the sacred emblems of man's redemption. What virtue is there in an "authorised version," and --- "Word of God" by "Act of Parliament"-that there is not, to say the least, in a Catholic Church or in a crucifix? And yet these are every day destroyed and burnt in Protestant countries, by the Protestant rabble, with the connivance and countenance of the public authorities.

The Minerve mentions the receipt of letters, announcing that, on the 4th ult., His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal, with his travelling companions, embarked at Marseilles on board the steamer for Civita Vecchia. His Lordship was in company with His Eminence the Cardinal Archbishop of Lisbon, the Archbishop of Utrecht, the Bishops of Orleans, of Philadelphia, and other Prelates of the Church.

We would direct attention to an advertisement on our seventh page, by J. Hallinan, Esq., Barristerat-Law, of a work on the "Municipal Law of Upper Canada." This work merits the attention of the Lower Canadians, whose Municipal system is to be assimilated to that of the Upper Province.

#### WHERE DOES PROTESTANT ORTHODOXY **FIND HERESY!**

#### To the Editor of the True Witness. · 15 ....

SIR-That Protestants hold that there are heresies, cannot be doubted. They read in St. Paul's Epistle to Timothy, in St. John's and St. Jude's Epistles, their qualities, their punishments, and the necessity of avoiding them; they read, too, in the larger Cate-chism of the Lutherans-"All who are without the pale of Christianity, be they Pagans ......or false Christians,......remain in eternal malediction and in damnation;" and in Calvin's Institutions - "Without the pale of the Church we cannot expect either remission of sin or salvation."

But what is the rule whereby to detect heresy, and provide against its destroying malice? The reply is, of course-the Bible. But the Bible has often been made the instrument of impiety, as the history of the Church testifies, and as Protestantism may read in its own, records. The doctrine of "Fundamentals and Non-Fundamentals" has been invented to quiet the alarmed mind; but that has been no basis : for what gives value to the whole of revelation, gives equal value to all its details; and the veracity of God, which demands our assent for the whole, demands our assent for each of its component parts. All has been re-vealed; therefore, all must be received.

But to pass on to the subject-What is heresy ?-What must be looked upon as a violation of the fundamental part? Is it heresy and a violation of fundamental doctrine, to assert that God is the cause of all the crimes and iniquities of this life ?---which is done by denying man's liberty; to assert that God created some men to condemn them eternally to hell, and punish them for sins they could not avoid ?--which is done by the doctrine of "Absolute Predestination." Then all the first Reformers were heretics. Not in Geneva, nor on the banks of the Rhine, was true Christianity. The representatives of the Protestant countries of England and Scotland, of the Protestants of Switzerland, Poland, and all Calvinistic Protestants, assembled at the Synod of Dort, in the Protestant country of Holland, decreed that justice once obtained can never be lost, not by the greatest crimes; and this decision was generally received as dogmatical by the Reformed of these nations. Now, who will say that this abominable doctrine is not heresy?-there-fore, in 1619, these people were heretics. The divines assembled in Westminster, followed by the General Assembly of Scotland, decreed nearly the same as was decreed in Dort; and the decrees of these divines were published in 1650, and accepted by a most Bible-reading people. Here is heresy; here is abomination, and not Christianity, if I may express my opinion.

But, I suppose, "the great benefactors of mankind" -the bright ornaments of Protestantism-- will not be denied sufficient knowledge of the Bible-a sufficient perception of its spirit. I suppose Protestantism must not be deprived of its antiquity, its numbers, and its proud recollections. All that was said about the " liberation of the human mind"-the "miracle of success"-the blessings of "true Christianity"-must not be recalled; therefore, common cause must be made. The acknowledgment, but of yesterday, is somewhat odious ;---discord blushes at the unity of a great opponent ;- the " miracle of the Reformation's success" must be maintained to give it divine sanction ; and hence we see amalgamation in our days, and, in reciprocal invitations, a public challenge to show a shadow of disagreement. Therefore, when the Rev. Pastor of one denomination preaches to the followers of another denomination, he declares that episcopal government, by divine right, is by no means contrary to scripture; that, though not an Episcopalian, it is merely through a matter of taste that he does not swear to the Thirty-Nine Articles; that the Presbyterians of other days, who taught that with grace man cannot keep God's Commandments, (Larg. Cath., p. 184), and the Presbyterians of these days, who teach the contrary, are in perfect accord, and he with them ; that his brethren—the Methodists -are by no means Dissenters, that malice only calls them so; that he fully agrees both with the party who teach that "we can do something towards justification," and with the party who teach that all is predestination - and can see no self-contradiction therein; that had he been at Magdeburg he would have signed the Formulary of Concord, and would have taught, with the great body of Lutherans, that our Lord's Humanity is not only present in the Blessed Sacrament, but every where throughout creation, wherever the Divinity is; that, as Councils are not infallible, and as every individual, particularly it learned, such as Calvin, Luther, &c., is equal to Councils, and as he is willing to subscribe to all Councils, to give Protestantism an-tiquity and unity, so he is willing therefore, as a matter of equity, to subscribe to the writings of Protestant Doctors; and hence says with his Protestant followers-" Omne opus justi damnabile est el peccalum mortale ;"--- " Every work of the just man is damnable and mortal sin;"-(Assert. omn. ad op.); and with Calvin-" Homo justo Dei impulsu agit quod silv non But trom this happy family concord some are ex-cepted. Socinians, Swedenborgians, Hernbutters, &c., are excluded from orthodoxy. But I would suggest, at least, a mitigating oircumstance. These sectaries have not passed through the ordeal of justification by faith alone. Now, as Calvin and all orthodox Protestants teach-grace is irresistible, always producing its effects, it then follows that, when a man is not justified, it is because he has not had grace; he is unjustified through misfortune, and not through fault .--He can say-of myself I can do nothing; had grace been given me, I should have been justified ; its absence proves the absence of grace ; in its absence my impotency excuses me ;- it is my lot ; election is not for me. I would therefore advise the use of a less positive phrase; and, instead of heretics, to call these sectaries; negative infidele. But it is not clear that these sectaries can be refused admission into that one fold. They have many qualities reprehensible; but they have, too, many to recommend them. They are tich and learned, and steady supporters of individual supremacy. True, the Socinian attacks two persons of the Most Blessed Tri-

through its doctrine of Predestination and denial of Free Will, attacked the Three ?- for, without justice and sanctity, God cannot be conceived. The Swedenborgian denies that the Eternal Word became incarnate for the salvation of man ; but did not the Albigenses-that mysterious link of Apostolicity-teach that this same Saviour was but the incarnation of the Wicked Spirit. The Hernhutter, indeed, teaches that justification is not obtained through faith, but certain. fits; but John Wesley held communion with this church, whilst he held it with his own Anglican one ; and thus joining England with Lusatia, derived therefrom the proof of Unity and Catholicity of place.

Where, then, does orthodoxy find heresy? I suppose I might not have travelled so far from home-I suppose it is in the doctrine which gives to the many what it refuses to the few, whilst it should have proceeded in an inverted order-I suppose it is to assert a theocracy in which God rules a Church He died to. establish. If so-1 am a heretic.

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STORM .- The storm at Quebec was so violent on Monday last that no steamer would undertake to carry the mail across the river, although a reward of a hundred nounds was offered. The steamers "Saguenay" and "John Counter" were sunk. We had a touch of the gale here too on Sunday

night and Monday morning. Some triffing damage was done, euch as window shutters being torn off, &c. And more serious, one of the tall telegraphic poles at Quebec Suburbs was blown down, by which one or two houses were injured, but no person hurt .--Sun.

ALBANY, Dec. 5 .- The Lake Superior News of the 27th ult., says, by private letters we learn that the bodies of Sir John Franklin and party have been discovered by Dr. Kane's exploring expedition, irozen and perfectly preserved.

#### Died,

At Chambly, on the 29th ult., aged 84 years and 8 months, Amable Larocque, Esq., Captain of Militin, and father of Bishop Larocque, now administering the affairs of this diocese, in the absence, at Rome, of the Bishop of Montreal.

#### NOTICE.

"His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal-who has lately left his Episcopal City for Rome, whither he has been summoned to take part, as the Representant of the Ecclesiastical Province of Quebec, in the venerable assembly of Bishops, convoked by our Holy Father the Pope, to meet at the end of this month in the Capital of the Christian world—having found himself obliged to abandon his intention of calling personally at the doors of the houses of all the Catholics of Montreal, to take up with his own hands their contributions towards the rebuilding of the Cathedral, and the reconstruction of the Episcopal Establishments; has requested the Committee actually named for the same purpose, to continue the good work already so cheerfully commenced. His Lordship relies on the generosity of the City for these important ends; and trusts to be able to gladden the heart of the Sovereign Pontifi by showing to him the algority of his people in coming to his aid. This present notice is given by His Lordship that each one may prepare himself to respond thereunto, as shall be most to the credit of this great city.

"The Committee therefore take this opportunity of informing all the Catholics of Montreal that, on Monday next, they will commence taking up, from door to door, the subscriptions of the citizens; who are no-tified, in case they themselves should be absent from their homes, to leave the amount of their subscriptions in the hands of some person of their household, charged to deliver it to the collectors. The collectors will be, members of the Clergy, accompanied by some of the residents of each quarter, and their visits will be made in the following order :-1st-St. Antoine Ward ; 2nd-St. Anne's Ward; 3rd-West Ward; 4th-Cen-tre Ward; 5th-St. Lawrence Ward; 6th-St. Louis<sup>2</sup> Ward ; 7th-St. James' Ward ; 8th-St. Mary's Ward.

"The Committee has much pleasure in reminding the Catholios of this City, that His Lordship the Bishop of Montreal has often repeated to his diocesans. in his several Pastoral Letters, that, if every family in the Diocese would but give him during the ensuing four years the trifling sum of Four Dollars, or little more than a penny per week, he would be enabled by means of such a subscription, which would not be onerous even to the least wealthy, to restore the Eniscopal buildings of Montreal in a manner worthy of the City. The Committee therefore trust that all classes will promptly respond to the appeal of their venerable Bishop ; and will thus show to the world what great things can be accomplished by small means, accompanied with union."

It seems that our meaning with respect to the col-lections for the "Patriotic Fund" has been strangely misunderstood; though the fault certainly does not lie with us, for we spoke plainly enough for any person of common sense to understand it. We said, "that it would be wise on the part of Catholics to keep their subscriptions in their pockets, until such time as a committee"-we did not say a Catholic committee, but-" a committee approved of hy the Church, be appointed to take charge of" such subscriptions.

That this advice was not uncalled for, that the " Patriotic Fund" may be made a powerful instrument of proselytism, and that already gross injustice has been done towards Catholics in the distribution of the sums already collected, will be apparent from the following statement of facts from the Tablet.

"The Rev. Mr. T. O'Connor, Priest of Stamford, made application to the Hor. Major Powys, Hon. Sec. of the Society-on behalf of a poor lrishwoman and her fatherless children; offering his services as the medium of conveying to the poor creature any relief that the Society might be pleased to send her, and, at the same time, testifying to her destitute condition, and the propriety of her conduct. Poor creature, she was a Papist, as well as a soldier's widow-a Tipperary Catholic-with children who might be easily con-verted-and relief was not at once to be had for such as her. The Hon. Major Powys returned for answer to the Rev. Mr. O'Connor's application that- the Protestant clergymen being the only clergymen in the parish, recognised by government-there was no re- the Grand Trunk Railway, by placing obstructions on Social attacks two persons of the Most Blessed Tri-lief forthcoming for the widow and children; and the rails. The scoundrels have not yet been detected. hity; but has not a long succession of Protestantism,

A man of the name of André Poussaint, one of the pet sheep of the "Grande Ligne Mission" has been committed to take his trial for corrupt and wilful perjury. We have not all the narticulars ; but it appears that he swore to an assault having been committed upon him on the 31st October, by two Catholics whom he pretended to identify. The case was heard before a Bench of Magistrates at Russeltown, the great majority, if not all, of whom were Protestants; and after much hard swearing by Andre Poussaint, the upshot of the matter was, that the complaint was dismissed, and the complainant, Poussaint, was sent to the Montreal jail to await his trial for perjury. It does not yet appear whether the prisoner was acting under the direction of his spiritual fathers of the "Grande Ligne Mission," or under his own inspirations; but as the matter stands at present it looks very like a diabolical conspiracy against the Catholics of the district infested by the Missionaries and tract-pedlars from the "Grande Ligne."

A BOLD GUESS .- The Sun of Friday, in noticing the celebration by our Scotch friends, of their national festival, hazards the following conjecture :--"The St. Andrew, whose name distinguishes this day in the Holidays of the year, was one of the Apos-ties, we believe." -- Sun, 1st inst.

It is pleasant to see Protestants putting forward their opinions so modestly. The Sun however, need not have been so cautious. St. Andrew was one of the Apostles; the disciple of a person called Jesus Christ, who was the Messial, " we believe."

The Sherbrooke Gazette of the 2nd inst., mentions three different attempts to overturn the cars on



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to ising F OCR EIGNIMPNTELLIGENCE and sancelly, Goil current by amoreived. The Syndex--diA considerable movement is observable in various "branches of the War Department, and it is said that bodies of Troohs continue to be moved to the south for embarcation. Private letters, from superior offi-cers of the army of the Crimea, have been received; and they speak of the chances between the allies and - the enemy having become somearly balanced; that it is hazardous to give an opinion. I It is very generally. eredited that an anticipated levy, amounting to not less than 140,000 men; will be called out 'early next year. This, however, should it take place, is thought to be rather with a view towards Germany than Russia. o: if is stated that the French Legislative Assembly will soon be convoked, and that a proposition will be submitted to it for raising a loan of £20,000,000 and

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levying 200,000 men. that the 6th battalion of Chasseurs de Vincennes and two batteries of artillery were on the point of being embarked, to join in the Crimea the 6th division commanded by General Pate. By the adjunction of that division the effective force of the French army before Sebastopol will be increased to 70,000 men. The Government has besides ordered the immediate departure of two other divisions for the East, com-manded by Generals Dulac and DeSalles.

#### GERMAN POWERS.

A, few days since the assurance was given you that Austria would under no circumstances act offensively against Russia until the spring, and information since received fully confirms that intelligence. As long as the Russian troops were concentrated on the Austrian frontier there was a possibility that a hostile collision might take place during the winter ; but the St. Petersburg Cabinet, anxious not to give umbrage to Austria, has expressed its willingness to place thein "in some other equally advantageous strategic position." It need hardly be said that Austrian statesinen are not displeased to find that the Emperor Nicholas is for the moment in a relenting mood, but it would be a mistake to suppose that the temporary removal of the Russian troops will lead to any change in their policy. As has already been said the St. Petersburg Cabinet would not object to make the four conditions the basis of negotiation, but this is not what is required by the Vienna Cabinet. The preparations for war have been on such a tremendous scale' that no half measures are admissible, and therefore Austria will, as before, continue to insist on the unreserved acceptance of the four points. ' It is generally known that the views of Austria and Bavaria are no longer so opposed as they were a few weeks since, and the public is inclined to suppose "that after all peace may be maintained ;" but such is the opinion of few politicians by profession. Men in office well know that there is no hope of Russia's consenting to give the guarantees demanded, and therefore the armaments will be continued without interruption. The levy of 100,000 men may perhaps be nostponed for some weeks ; but the reserve armies will be placed in Bohemia and Moravia, the purchase of remounts will : continue, and the workmen in the arsenal will be as fully occupied as they were before. It is related here that the King of Prussia, in his autograph letter to the Emperor Joseph, in the most positive language expressed his intention to go hand in hand with him on the guarantee question, and even to give him his assistance, if it should be necessary to employ force against Russia, but it is very difficult to believe that this is correct. It is considered certain that the King of Prussia has demanded a promise from his imperial nephew not to go beyond the four points, but it is hardly probable the latter will consent to give the required pledge. It has always been the great aim of Austria to obtain a firm footing on the Lower Danube, and therefore you may be inclined to suppose that she will be satisfied to remain passive when she has obtained from her confederates such a promise as the foregoing. For more than one reason such is not likely to be the case. The interests of Austria, cannot be secured without the cooperation of the Western Powers, and the latter are not Quixotic enough to fight the battles of other people. 'The belligerent States must eventually get tired of war, and when peace is concluded there will be little question of the interests of the neutral Pow-The third, and by far the most cogent reason, ers. why Austria cannot remain a simple spectator is, that the state of her finances renders it absolutely necessary that the present war should be ended as speedily as possible.

o Interesting discoveries continue to, be made in the catacombs of Rome, if One (which, has just, created) unusual, interest seems to have been reserved by Di-vine Rrowidence for the present crisis: All who have paid any attention to the antiquities of Christian Rome they could have kept open, and others which have, not been filled up have had their most interesting and ing been consecrated by Pope S. Alexander the First, and contains, we are informed, many objects of interest which still remain in their original state, as they were left when the remission of the persecution enabled the primitive Christians of Romesto emerge from their hiding-places and 'carry on their' worship above ground.

The withdrawal of the French troops from Rome is continuing. The Regiment of Dragoons, which has formed part of the army of occupation ever since 1849, has received orders to return to France, and its place is not to be filled up. The only battalion of "Chasseurs d'Afrique," which was lately in Rome, has already reached France. The army of occupation now consists of about 10,000, forming four regi-meuts, besides artillery. The Austrian occupation of the Marches, and of Romana, will terminate, it is believed, at the same time as the French occupation of Rome. The correspondent of the Univers, who is usually well informed, assures us that no apprehensions are entertained of any injurious results from the withdrawal of the foreign troops from the States of the Church.

#### WAR IN THE EAST.

Telegraphic dispatches had been received from Sebastopol, through Russian sources, to the 9th of November. Prince Menschikoff announces that the operations of the siege continued, and that the Allies were fortifying their position on the left bank of the Tchernaya as strongly as possible. The bombard-ment continued, but " the breaches were always repaired."

Every measure has been adopted by the Allies to render the approaches to Balaklava as formidable as possible. A breastwork with a ditch has been drawn along the entrance to the valley leading to Balaklava, and an assault from the enemy's cavalry is thus ren-dered impossible.—The breastwork is defended by the Highland brigade, under the command of Sir Colin Campbell. The batteries formerly occupied by the Turks have been entrusted to English bluejackets .- The Diamond and Sanspareil sweep the plain with their broadsides, and the heights commanding the harbor are manned by English marines.

A Turkish detachment is posted in Balaklava itself. The rear of the positions occupied by the Allied troops seems to have been rendered nearly impregnable. Among the whole extent of the lines a massive breastwork, with a deep ditch, has been constructed by the French division forming the rear guard under General Bosquet. This work intercepts all the roads leading from Balaklava to Sebastopol. A postern gate, broad enough to admit of the passage of artillery, opens on the high road. Three redoubts crown the heights which completely dominate the plain.-It is thought that the Allies can now venture on an assault upon Sebastopol without dreading a successful diversion of the enemy upon their rear. The sanitary condition of the army was excellent. The

Know, Nothingism has manifested itself as a poli-tical party, and as such has certainly so far progressed with considerable rapidity, and confounded the calcuwith considerable rapidity, and confounded the calcu-ing providence for the present crisiss. All who have raid any attention to the antiquities of Christian Rome are aware that chapels of the most present crisis and rescaled for ages in the subterranean darkness of the catacombs. The the insisters of the despendence for the filling up again of many other rubbish has led to the filling up again of many which, would have been permanently interesting if they could have kept open, and others which have. citizens, inot alone from the lower walks of life, sacred objects removed. It is, therefore, an impor-tant event, that at a moment when the Hierarchy of by every virtue which religion stamps as estimable is not, against the process of the Christianity we the whole Christian world is assembling at Rome, a chapel, never before opened or seen by human even since the time of the primitive Christians of Rome, is been discovered and opened under a property be-tas been discovered and opened under a property be-tonging to the Propaganda. It bears marks of hav-ing been consecrated by Pope S. Alexander the it has been essaved, to accomplish by force what rea. but from every class and every pursuit-poor and rich, it has been essayed, to accomplish by force what reason could not achieve. Hence the cry for proscriptive measures, by the imposition of civil and political dis-abilities on professors of the Catholic faith. We behold the Melancholy spectacle of men who have hithereo proclained themselves to be, par excellence, the champions of civil and religious liberty, banding together in secrecy and darkness, and conspiring for the application of a religious test in the qualifications of fitness for office. - N. Y. Freeman's Journal.

> We learn, sub rosa, that on Friday night last, a body of Know Nothings attacked a man and beat him to death. He was an American, but they learned the fact too late to prorogue his death. No Juries have been called to ferre: out the matter-all are studiedly silent, as becomes men acting in such cases. In fact, we fear the murdered man will not even get an obituary notice. Let us see .- Am. Cell.

> TROUBLE IN CAMP.-Our Protestant neighbors are ever at test; they are continually finding out somehing new, or patching up something old-it matters not much which, providing a change can be made. The American Bible Union have lately discovered that the Protestant translation is a bad one, and so have set to work to supply a new one. Read what the New York Evening Post says of their efforts thus far : By the report which was made on Friday, it appears that the society during the past year, have received and, expended over forty thousand dollars towards a new translation of the Sacred Scriptures, and in circulating the most correct versions in different languages. Drs. Cone and Maclay, of this city, are the most prominent and active members of the Bible Union, assisted by a large number of the clergy and laity of the counlry, mostly however of the Baptist persuasion.-They say that the received version of the Bible which was published by King James contains many serious errors, which a learned committee of the American Bible Society estimated at twenty-four thousand in number."

> MAINE LAW .- Now every intelligent observer knows that the alteration produced by the Maine Law exists only in name. That there was, for a short time, a slight cessation, we do not deny; but we assert, without fear of contradiction, that, on the whole, there has been so much drunkness, riotousness, poverty and crime among us since the passing of the Maine Law, as there was, in the same length of time, before it. To say that is because the law is not executed, amounts to nothing. There is a plain statement that the traffic in America is suppressed, which we unhesitatingly assert is not true, and never has been. The reason of the thing does not affect the truth of the statement, in the least.-Portland State of Maine.

> Mr Collins declines re-employing on his steamers any of the persons who were in service on board the Arctic. The New York Times has been informed; upon good authority, that Mr. Collins himself has dismissed the gallant Dorian from the service, and denied him the usual certificat of good conduct and character, not upon any charge of neglect of duty, but because he stated facts about the wreck which the owners of the line did not wish to have made public. - Montreal Herald.

> It is said that lumber is accumulating in the lumber yards of New York in great quantities for the want of

effucated, and started in a way of life to render them lifeful to themselves and to the world. . . . . in Welknow there is sectorian jealousy, ill-feeling,

their, time, their means, and their efforts to sustain their, time, their means, and their efforts to sustain them, hold to a different and perhaps an opposing re-ligious faith from our own. Mea and brethren I let "us not, against the precepts" of the Christianity we courage all goodness and charity. This is not Christianity; it is not republicanism; it is not honesty: it is, on the contrary, the reverse of each in practice, whatever may be the theory adopted as a self-justification for wrong-doing.

"We have referred to the charitable institutions of our city: By reference to the returns of the Troy Hospital, published in this paper, it will be seen that 124 patients were treated in that institution during the three months ending the first of November, instant,-We are informed that more than two-thirds of this number were charity patients, and but for the exist-ence of this institution here, they would have been either uncared for and neglected at their miserable homes-suffering there, and in many instances dying there like dogs-or been sent to the County House, to take up their abode with paupers ; and, though treated as humanely as possible in such a place; still receiving less watchful care, less efficient medical aid than at the hospital; and, recovering, to come from the place with the pauper's stigma opon them. Who will say, that such an institution, for the benefit of strangers and the sick poor, is not a blessing in this community ?

"We visited the other day, for the first time, the Troy Hospital, and the other charitable and educational institutions founded by Rev. Mr. Havermans, and now successfully conducted under his general supervision. The patients-twenty-eight in number, and all charity patients but three-are now provided with comfortable rooms, and receive the best attentions of the Sisters of Charity and of the staff of hospital physicians, who render this gratuitous service to them.

"Nearly opposite the hospital, on Washington street, in the dwelling formerly occupied by the female orphans, the Rev. Mr. Havermans established during the cholera season last summer a Lying-in Hospital.

"The Female Asylum, opposite the hospital, on the west side of Hill street, ejected within the past year, is 50 by 36 feet in size. The inmates number 63.— They also enjoy the best school advantages, and those of sufficient age to work are Jearned to sew, to cook, and to do housework generally. Every part of the establishment is scrupulonsly neat, tidy, and in me-thodical order. The little ones appear to be as happy as birds, and their singing is almost as sweet and cheerful, judging from one or two pretty pieces very creditably sung by them during our visit. "Connected with these several charitable enter-

prises-an immense and ardnous charge certainly for one man to provide for, saying nothing of his pastoral duties-are several educational institutions that have advanced from small beginnings to important and useful schools. St. Joseph's Academy, on Fourth street, embraces two buildings-one 50 by 54, the other 25 by 40 feet—and, with the play-grounds adjoining, covering an area of four luts, each 25 by 130 feet.— All the higher branches and accomplishments, including also a primary school, are taught here by thorough scholars-the Brothers-men who give themselves up, with their best talents, their industrytheir all, in fact-to teaching the young. The Academy is provided with a complete set of scientific apparatus. There is a music room, provided with a variety of instruments, including the piano, violin, &c., for teaching the 'divine art." It is a boarding school, also, and there are numbers' of pupils in attendance from afar-off sections of the country. From what we learned and observed, we have no doubt this Academy is one of the best conducted, the best arranged of its kind in this country. Pupils are thoroughly taught in all the branches that are offered for study and mastery in the colleges. "In each of the Orphan Asylums named there are also preliminary day schools, for both girls and boys, taught by the Brothers and Sisters. The aggregate number of pupils in these, exclusive of the orphans, is over 600. Including the pupils of the Academy and the orphans, there are about 900 scholars in con-stant attendance at these several schools—the Boys' Departments being under the superintendence of the Brother Director Urbis, and the Girls' Departments under that of the Sister Servant Romuald-both, as Directors, bearing the title of Superiors? "We have thus given a description of the several charitable, and educational, enterprises of the Rev. Mr. Havermans; the indefatigable founder and principal of each of them. Leaving sectarianism out of the question altogether—viewing the subject in the light of reason and with candor—who can deny but that these institutions are doing great good? The whole neighborhood, thereabouts, has undergone a most happy change since their establishment. It was formerly surrounded by places of low debauchery and licentiousness, by miserable groggeries and diving holes, of crime and death. Now, the whole aspect of the place is changed. A healthy moral atmos-phere pervades the entire neighborhood. The plaque spots' have been broken up. They could not exist where virtue and charity obtained a footing. "Who will say that the reform has not been a good one ?look down rightfully, as, her children of course well Who can say that it has not been a good one to may, upon all protesting communions, the High Church in the city at large ?! Let us honor right wherever we imitators of her own, as far as they dare, included, as find it; let us honor him who beins, by his munif-audaciously, miscalled? Christian, and, beyond conce, his enterprise and his zeal; to advance it, who doubt, "heretical.? ever he may be Whether Protestant or Catholic, whether Baplist or Unitarian? Universalist or Presby-The Troy Daily Times, though a Projectant, can re- whether Baptist or Unitarian? Universalist or Presby-cognise the good effected by Catholic Charitable In- lerian, that a main who works efficiently to benefit his fellows, to help the poor, to give shelter to the orphan, to enlighten the renorant to reform the profligate, and to promote useful citizenship, is a Christian benefac-

#### SPAIN. AND STATES

The news from Spain is of a very unsatisfactory character. The Cortes have chosen their President and Vice-Presidents from among the inoderate Progressistas; but there is an apprehension, nevertheless. that the Cabinet is about to be remodelled in a Republican sense." If it be true, and we fear it is, that the present Ministry have adopted the cruel and wicked course of expelling the Jesuits from Spain, they will have richly deserved any humiliation that may await them: We have avowed our conviction that until the crown of Spain reverts to its rightful heir, there will be no peace in that country ; but we are convinced that the Jesuits are no parties to any Carlist movements in the Peninsula, and we know that any such movements at this moment are as op-- nosed to their wishes as they are prejudicial to the interests of the Count of Montemolin. M. Soule had arrived at, Madrid.-Catholic Standard.

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weather was fine, though cold.

The reinforcements received by the Russians have been far greater than were anticipated, and their total is believed to have been raised to 90,000 men, including the troops available from the garrison. The British force at the last date was still only about 15,000, and the French is supposed to have been about 30,000 to 35,000. The latter totals, however, are believed by this time to have been raised by arrivals from Algeria and elsewhere.

#### UNITED STATES.

GOOD NEWS .- "We" (N.Y. Freeman) hear from undoubted sources that many trishmen from different parts of this country; who have been here for some years and possesses each some considerable property, are disposing of it and returning with their money to Ireland. This movement is greater, than has been suspected.

The British residents of New York have already subscribed nearly six thousand dollars to the "Pa-triolic fund for the relief of the widows and orphans of those who have lost their lives in the British ser-

THE WILLIAMSBURGH RIOT, The houest portion of the public are becoming greatly shocked at the developments coming out on the investigations of the Wil hamsburg affair, and showing the depth and wicked ness of the plot set on foot by the secret conspirators to excite the Irish Catholics, and implicate them, whether or no in the responsibility of violence. Until the investigation is over we feel bound to refrain from comments, but we may mention two things. 1. The Murderer of Harrison turns out to be an Irish Orangeman ; and 2nd. One of the Know-Nothing witnesses, Thos. H. King, declined to state whether he was a member of the secret Society, or conspiraby, on the ground that "it might criminate him." Question by Counsel : What do you mean by criminating you? Ans.-To criminate, 1 think; means to jell that which

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A HYPOCRITICAL SCOUNDREL.-We observe, by the New York papers, that Theodore Gray, the New York vitriol thrower, has been for several years a member of the Cliver Street Baptist Church, in which he had a Sunday School class. He began by spotling the dresses of basi girls, and indulgence in the pastime led him to spot the dresses of the best society. In the police office .... re exhibited broadcloth coats, and velvet and silk dresses, stained and burnt by vitriol. His manner of ejecting it was from a little oil-feeder with a tube, which he would hold by his side, in a way not to be seen in a crowd. An apothecary testified to selling him the stuff at several times. He says he was in the habit of going to Protestant associations and other religious meetings, and after their exercises were over he would go into the street and use his cane upon such as he thought deserved the infliction. One lady was burnt upon the neck and hand.

The Christian Inquirer an ably conducted Protestant paper in the interest of the Unitarians, thus replies to an attack from the *Church*, a Protestant Epis-copulian organ, which had denounced Unitarians as "semi-infidel:"—"The very essence of Episcopacy is authority in Church order, that is, the claim of a divinely appointed Apostolic succession in the Episco-pate. High Churchism seems to us the true Episcopacy, the most consonant with the genius of its Church. But, as even High Church Episcopacy is only a remove from Romanism, assumes all its pride of position while stripped of its external splendor, and without a title of its claims to be the Church, we could not stay long in it. To Rome should we go as Holy Mother; and with all the grace of her benediction, and amid all the pomp of her really imposing ritual; doubt, "heretical."

Y. Freeman.

# THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATIOLIC CHRONICLE!

Our readers, ive suppose, are aware that there is a numerous Protestant sect\_in this country, known as numerous Fronesiant sect in this country, known as a Millerites;" of "Second Adventists;" whose peculiar tenet seems to be, that the end of all things is close at hand. The Ministers of this (denomination had, fired/upon the 15th ulti as the day of judgment, and fised/upon the 15th ulti as the day of judgment, and nombers of their infatunted followers had collected, in-while tober for the foccasion, all ready for a start to heaven. A writer in a New York paper, the Adver-tiver-gives a humorous description of the scene :-a According to the programme, the entertainment was to commence with a trumpet sole, to be followed by a general foiling to the programme, the entertainment was to commence with a trumpet sole, to be followed by a general foiling to the stars, and grand mass meeting of the illustrious defunct-after which, the elect? were to start, for Paradise in special conveyances provided to their accommodation-the whole to conclude with a splendid display of freworks in the evenmin a epicieur copia, or meworks in me even-ing. Damphool had done, nothing but sing songs for a week. Bull Dogge, who was also a convert, had packed up this cwardrobenin. a hat box, and left the packed up in that he owned forty shares in a Kentucky cual mine; and was going to take possession of his pioperty; and he offered to bet us the drinks that if he stood on a vein of that coal, he would be the last man scorched :---

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"Damphool. squared up his board bill, and paid his washerwoman, which left him dead broke : sold his watch to a "Jew" to raise money with which to procure an ascension robe; in order to do honor to the occasion, he got oue made of linen cambric ; it was a triffa too long, and cut him malignantly under the arms, but he bore it like a martyr; he got shaved, took a bath, put on his robe, bid me farewell, and got ready to go up. I discovered the place from which they were to start, and went up myself to see the ops-ration-in a vacant lot, where there were no trees to catch their skirts in their anticipated flight-large crowd on the ground; one maiden lady in a long white gown, had also dressed her lap dog in a similar manner; man with a family Bible in his hand, had forgotten his robe, and come in his shirt-sleeves; ancient wench in a white night gown, with red shoes, and a yellow handkerchief round her head, kneit down in a small puddle of rain water, and prayed to take her up easy, and not burt her sore ancle: lady from East Broadway, came in a robe cut low in the neck, and trimmed with five flounces; red-haired woman made her appearance with a crying baby, to the consternation of the company, who expected to go to Heaven, and had no relish for a preliminary taste of the other place ; careful old lady, brought her overshoes in a work-basket, to wear home in case the performance should be postponed; little girl, had her doll, and her three year old brother had a hoop, a tin whistle, and a painted kite; poor washerwoman came, but as she had only a cotion robe, and a scant pattern ' at that, the more aristocratic ladies moved farther away, and smelt their cologie, while the poor woman knelt down in the corner, with her face to the fence; Sixth Avenue lady came in a white satin robe; had a boy to hold up her train, and she had her own hands full of visiting cards; and African brunette carried a cushion for her mistress to kneel upon, and a man followed behind with a basket containing her certificate of church membership. Crowd began to sepa-rate into knots, according to their different creeds, and beliefs ; Unitarians, Baptists, Presbyterians, and Mehodists, clustering round their respective preachers. I noticed that one old lady, evidently believing in the perfect sanctity of her darling minister, and desiring to insure her own passage, had tied herself to his left leg with a fish line. Baptist man was preaching close communion. Presbyterian man was descanting on the accountability of infants, and ascerting that a child three years old can commit sufficient sin to doom it to the lowest hell.

"Sunrise—all knelt down to pray seast wind blew, and it began to rain, I noticed that Damphool had found a dry place on the lee side of a older barrel.— Methodist man took off, his coat, and made a stump prayer, while all his congregation yelled. "Glory."— Baptist man inserted a special clause in his supplication, that he and his crowd might go up in a separate tion, that no and mist crowd might go up in a separate boat. Ministers all prayed at each other, and for stnobody. Know-Nothing clergyman addressed a long winded political prayer to the Almighty, detailing the latest election returns, deploying the choice of the op-position candidate, implored his blessing on the next Governor, (if the world should stand) insinuated that he expected the nomination himself; and concluded by advising him to exclude from heaven all foreigners; or they would refuse to live up to the regulations, and would certainly kick up another row among the celestials. Down town-man, on hand, ready to go up; tried to pray, but, from want of practice; could only utter some disjointed sentences about "uncurrent funds," "money market," "Erie down to 36;" Began to rain harder, wind decidedly chilly; their teeth chaltered with cold, and they began to wish for the conflagration to commence. Naughty boys on the fence began to throw stones—promiscuous praying on every side. Methodist man stopped in the midst of a long; touching supplication to cut the ears of a little boy who hit him with a brick ; hours slipped away, began to think the entertainment was "postponel on account of the weather." Noon came; lolks were not half so scaled as they were in the morning; ministers had got too hoarse to talk, and were passing the time kissing the sisters. Damphool looked so chilly that I got, him a glass of hot whiskey punch; be looked at me with holy horror, and went on with bis prayer, but before he got to "amen," the punch had disappeared ; husband of red-haired woman came and ordered her to go home and wash the breakfast dishes and then mend his Sunday pantaloons... One o'clock, 'zeal began to cool off ; at two the enthusiasm was below, par, at three the rain poured so that I thought an alteration in the Litany would be necessary to make it read 4 Have mercy upon us miserable swimmers." -- Small boy threw a handful of gravel at long Methodist man, which thit thim in the face, and nong Methodist man which filt (inth the small pox; and made him look like a mulato with the small pox; A LADY competent to teach all the branches of a young long Methodist man punched small boy with a fence rail—Fouro'clock; Gabriel hain't come yet. Damp-hool, much disappointed, miltered something about heiner (feeld " neonle avidently getting hungery: no he piano, Harp and Guitar, would take a heiner (feeld " neonle avidently getting hungery: no he piano, Harp and Guitar, would take a heiner (feeld " neonle avidently getting hungery: no he piano, Harp and Guitar, would take a hibrail-Four'o'clock; Gabriel hadn't come yet .: EDampbeing "sold ;" people evidently getting hungry; no loaves or fishes on the ground ; woman with two children said she, was going home to put them in the touddle-bed; long man looked round to see that no one was looking, then ucked his tobe under his arm, solo werscheidenes, and started forshome on a dog itot. TriDark :: 100: Signs of fire works.yel.; pyrotechnic.exhibi-in: Iroland, at Five Alleys, King's County, in company with a tion not likely ito commence for some time. :: Crowd ----impalient----(1-here missed Damphool, and found him an hour afterwards, paying his devotions to an eigh-iteen-penny, oyster, stew and a mug of ale). Staid an hour longer, when the orowd began to dispose, with

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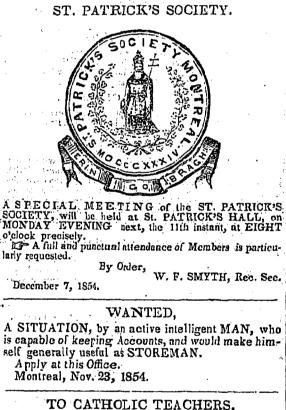
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