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#### GOOD FRIDAY.

What scene is this I here behold? You victim stretch'd upon the tree! You callous crowd, with bosoms cold, Alas! too soon the tale is told; To death condemned my God I see! Some few around, in silent woe, Bid all their secret sorrows flow; But scarce are heard their murmurs low. 'Mid mirthful shouts, more loud and free.

See now the patient victim borne! 'Mid clam'rous joy and stifled won; His temples bound with wreaths of thorn; His bleeding limbs all gashed and torn, While fast the bleeding life-drops flow ! And hear their ribald shouts and cries, As they prepare their sacrifice, Ascend unto the abhorrent skies, While trembles earth's firm base below.

Alas! new horrors crowd the scene; With nails are pierced his feet and hands; And now on high, two thieves between, Suspended on a cross, is seen
The God who heaven and carth commands! The cruel steel hath lanced his side; Fast flows, of life, the ebbing tide;

Now trembles earth and ocean wide, And mute, astonished nature stands!

Ah! can that be th' eternal God, That there in death so lowly lies? Can that be he, whose pright abode-By scraph's blessed—by augels tred— Is far beyond you burning skies? Whose voice can hid the storm be still, Can rein the light'ning to his will, Or forked with vengeance, bid it kill, When on the wings of death it flies.

Ah! yes—one waive of his right hand, In terror clothed, the poles could rend! His voice could bid the heavens expand, And angels at his high command, In myriads thronged, his steps attend ! Ev'n now, to vanquish death he goes, And give our sin. worn world repose. And soon triumphant o'er our foes, He'll gloriously to heaven ascend!

Oh! then full low on bended knee. Before thy throne of glory bright, Eternal God I bow to thee! Oh! be my guide—my solaco be— When ills o'erwheln and passions blight. Oh! let me vanquish death and crime, When bursts aternity on timo: Oh! guide my spirit's flight sublime
To thy bright realms of love and light.

CHRISTIAN RELIGION DEMONSTRATED DIVINE.

CHAPTER XXX.

## NUMBERS.

CHAPTER vi.-In this chapter we have the example of persons vowing themselves to God, or consecrating themselves to the Lord; and of rules of abstinence prescribed for such by the Deity. This scriptural practice also, retained in the catholic church, is scouted by our Protestant pretended scripturalists. At the consecration of those Nazarites, we observe in their oblations Messiah's bloody and unbloody, or cucharistic, sacrifice alluded to.

Verse 18.—The shaving of the Nazarite's hair, and his laying it on the holy fire, indicates the voluntary sacrifice which he makes for the love of God of all his vain ornaments, superfluous luxories, and unnecessary attachment to the things of the world.

Verse 23.—In the triple blessing which Aaron is commanded to pronounce over the children of Israel, we may remark a pointed allusion made to each person of the blessed Trinity-to the Father, the creator, the source of our being, and of all benediction: " The Lord bless thee, and keep thee!"

To the Son, who was to come in mercy, and manifest himself to his people! "The Lord show his face to thee and have mercy upon thee !"

And to the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of Peace, who also showed himself to us under the emblematic forms of the dove, and the fiery tongues: " The Lord turn his countenance to thee, and give thee peace !"

CHAPTER viii. 2 .- Give orders that the lamps look over against the north, towards the table of the loaves of proposition; over against that part shall they give light.

The light of the seven lamps of the golden candlestick was turned towards the north, towards Rome, and the Latin church, where the eucharistic table is established. The golden candlestick with its seven branches and lamps, is the emblem of the Saviour and his seven sacraments; his conduits of grace and inward light to the soul. And therefore in the vision of St. John, did loathsome to them." he appear in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks. Apoc. i. 13.

Verse 9 .- . Let him be sprinkled with the water of purification," &c

If this sprinkling was a proper emblem of the purifying effects of the blood of Christ before it was shed, why is it is then this significant ceremony of the catholic church, which had been ordered by God himself, a fit subject of ridicule to our bible-beasting references?

Verso 28 .- "From twenty-five years old and upwards they shall go in to minister in the tabernacle of the covenant.17

This is the age at which priests are ordained in the Catholic Church.

the phase-that is, to eat the paschal lamb at the ap-WM. MoD. D. church, who neglect to purify themselves from sin, and suffers violence, and only the violent shall carr y it away.

so to eat the true paschal lamb at the proper time, are subjected to a more dreadful death than that of the body —to that of the soul and body also for eternity. According to St. Paul, 1 Cor xi. 29, "He who eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning the Lord's body." the second death, to which the Saviour himself alludes so formally in these words :--- Verily, verily, I say unto you, except you eat the flesh of the Son of Man, and drink his blood, you shall not have life in you."-John vi. 54. He that eateth me, the same also shall live by me .-Ibid. v. 58. Yet to some, who are not sufficiently clean at the appointed time, a respite for due preparation is given, as appears in the 10th verse.

CHAPTER X .- The two silver trumpets are the embloms of the two modes of announcement of the word of God, under the old and new law. They are to be sounded by the priests-v. 8. These are the Heralds, appointed to proclaim his will and revolutions to our race. To them, and them alone, the Saviour said: he who

hears you, hears me.—Luke x. 16.
CHAPTER xi, v. 4.—The Egyptisns, who followed the Israelites in their flight from Egypt bring by their example the people to sin. Their longings after their former fare in Egypt; their disrelish of the heaventy showered manna, and their loud murmurings at their present condition, enkindle the wrath of God against them, and dishearten Moses their law giver and leader, insomuch that he prays God to ease him of his charge, or even to take away his life, rather than be afflicted with such great evils.

We may remark here the force of bad example, and. the danger of associating with the wicked: also how displeasing to God are the longings of his people, in times of penitential fasting and abstinence, to gratify, like the Egyptians, the children of this world, their sensual and unrestrained appetites. We observe too, his condescension in granting the earnest requests of his faithful sorvants, by his appointment of seventy men of the ancients of Israel, to bear with Moses the burden of the people; his power to do, what to creatures seems altogether impossible, by supplying in the desert so vast a multitude with the flesh they longed fors " till it should come out of their nostrils, and become It hence also appears that God yields to the wicked the objects of their criminal longings; but that such never fail to prove their bane, and to bring on in the end their merited punishment, as it happened on this occasion, to the guilty Israelites.

CHAPTER xii.-In this chapter we see how God resents the contempt shewn to those whom he has appointnot such also of his blood after it has been shed? And ed to be our guides and directors; that is, his lawful pastors, to whom the Saviour said: he who despises you, despises me.-Luke x. 16. Such as despise and vilify them, are struck, like Mary, with the leprosy of sin, and cast forth from the society of the clean. We see also, by the efficacy of Moses' prayer, how powerful the intercession of the just is in behalf of the sinner.

CHAPTER XIII, v. 33 .- The spice, who by their misrepresentations of the land of promise, discouraged the CHAPTER ix. v. 13 .- They who neglected to make Israelites from attempting its conquest, were a figure of themselves clean, and keeping themselves so, to make those worldlings, who, decrying, or misrepresenti true devotion, discourage christians from striving in carnest to pointed time-were to be put to death, and cut off from conquer all their spiritual enemies; and thus secure their among the people, because he offered not sacrifice to entrance into the promised land of endless felicity, the the Lord in due season. So they, in the christian kingdom of heaven, which, as our Saviour assures us,

CHAPTER xiy, v. 30 .- None but the | gious opinions? Nay, do they not all allow | courageous, like Joshua and Caleb, shall every one the religious liberty of forming Chunch.—The annexed scrap of intelliever enter the promised land of bliss .- his faith upon the scripture as understood gence is from the Southern Churchman :

against us by our sins.

ual leadors, are sure to be overcome.

the figurative unbloody sacrifice of flour, coyed, chented, wheedled, or forced into or bread and wine, the sacrifice of the "the one fold of the one shepherd." to the order of Melchisadech.

awarded to the Sabbath breaker, shews all, who neglect to keep holy the Lord's

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THE PARTIALITY OF PROTESTANT CHARITIES.

We have often remarked elsewhere but particularly here in Hamilton, the partial manner in which the different protestant sects collect, and deal out their contributions to the poor. They call on those of all persuasions to furnish each his mite for the benevolent purpose of clothing and feeding the most destitute of our race in this community. And, when the time of repartition arrives, it turns out that none but the poor of a prevalent sect, or those who scruple not to send their little ones to the sabbath-schools of some favoured denomination, to be reared up in its religious principles, differing from those of their parents, are to have any share in the general donation. Is this christian charity? Is it like that of the Samaritan mentioned in the gospel? From such charity as this the poor catholicsare sternly excluded, because they will not barter their faith for a mouthful of meat and some rags to cover

The zeal of protestants to make proselytes, each to their own particular way of thinking, is the more surprising, as they ali acknowledge themselves hable to be mistak. where is the one among them who claims to himself absolute infallibility in his reli- Standard.

From this it appears how small a portion by himself? yet avowing that he is not inof mankind will be saved.

by himself? yet avowing that he is not infallibly sure that his interpretation is the 22nd ult., announce that the emperor, by Verse 34.—" According to the number only right one? If, then, such choose to of the forty days, in which you viewed the risk their own salvation on their own priland, a year shall be counted for a day, vate judgment, which is confessedly falliand forty years yo shall receive your inidoes not shall know my revenge."—
themselves responsible to God for the souls.
This property was to be annexed to the national domain, and the clergy of the The term of forty is that of punishment, of others whom they own they may be thus | churches and convents to obtain an annual as at the delage-Gen. vii, 19. It is, enticing into error? It is not so with Catherefore, that of pennance, as in the fasts tholics. They consider their unchangeable of Moses, Elias, the Ninivites, our Saviour, doctrine as divinely revealed, on the testi-&c. and of his church in her fast of Lent, mony of that church which Christ comto appeaso the wrath of God, enkindled manded all to hear, or be accounted as heathens and publicans .- Matt. xviii. 16. Verse 44.—The Israelites, fighting against Yet, with all this conviction of their infalthe command of Moses and without the lible certainty, who ever saw those of their Ark, are foiled; so, in the spiritual war-persuasion going, like protestants, from fare, those depending on themselves, who house to house, coaxing, bribing, kidnapfight not under the direction of their spirit. ping children and persons of denominations differing from their own, into their own CHAPTER XV, V. 4 .-- Wo still observe religious establishments. No: their relithe figurative bloody sacrifice followed by gion teaches them that none are to be deor bread and wine, the sacrifice of the "the one told of the one one compulsion with the one sacrification with the one sacrification with the one told of the one one of the one of the one told of the one of the one told o false testimony and misrepresentations, are Verse 35 .- The temporal punishment none of the allowable means resorted to by them of making conversions to their the spiritual punishment to be awarded on church; while the denunciations of the Saviour against the proselyting Jews, seem particularly applicable to the proselyting protestants :-" Woe to you,-[said he]-Scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because you go round about the sea and the land to make one proselyte; and when he is made, you make him the child of hell two-fold more than yourselves."-Matt.

Mark the unchristian, the unfeeling, the inhuman question, put to our poor by some would-be saints in their own way, whom we could name! "Are you a Catholic, a papist, a romanist?" &c. If they are, "Go dien," say they, "to your priest, or to those of your own church, and seek relief from them: we have nothing for you." Yet these are fellow-creatures in distress, who are spurned from the doors of our modern hypocrites for their conscientious adherence to their religion; a religion, too, which they have no less a right, upon protestant principle, to adhere to, as grounded upon scripture, than protestants themselves; unless these deny to all but themselves, the right to understand and interpret the scriptures according to their own judgment. But, though we allude to some who have got above indigence, but not above their early instilled and low-born ignorance, we know others of a higher, more educated and liberal caste, who can view in the poor catholic a fellow christian, and esteem him the more for honestly confessing, "through good report and evil report," his religious conviction.

A new sect, under the rather singular denomination of "Christian Chariests," has sprung up in Birmingham, with the avowed object of 'enlightening the people" on matters spiritual and temporal, as en in their so varying systems of belief; for a preparatory step towards the achiev ing the objects set forth in the charter.-

More Plunder of the Catholic Man's natural insufficiency compen-

an ukase of the 6th, had taken from the Roman Catholic and Greok clergy, as well as from all the convents situate in the northern provinces of the empire, all the provision from the state."

The pure religion of the possessors of the immense wealth and number of livings set out in the following list, screens them from even the complaints of the same sectarian press, which are so loud in their unholy commendations of the open and flagrant violation of the 6th commandment. as practised against the professors of Catholicity, wherever the mild sway of Protestantism can effect it .- Cath. Herald.

Income of the English Clergy .- The revenues of the English bishops are variously stated, but the following list will be found pretty accurate, though we are aware that it has been denied with, however, very little truth; for, when we recollect that many of these cormorant dignitaries have died worth (in real and personal property) from a quarter to three quarters of a million, the statement cannot be far beyond the mark,

Archbishop of Canterbury £41,100 Archbishop of York 26,000 Bishop of Durham 61,000 Bishop of London 30,000 Bishop of Litchfield and Coventry, and Dean of Durham 12,600 Bishop of St. Asaph 2,000 Bishop of Bath and Wells 7,330 Bishop of Chester 30 4,700 Bishop of Chichester, also rector of St. Giles' 6,770 21,340 Bishop of Ely Bishop of Lincoln and Dean of St. Paul's 15,530 Bishop of Norwich Bishop of Oxford 3,500 11 Canon of Wells, and prebendary of Durham, together Bishop of Salisbury, and chan-5,400 cellor of order of the Garter! 14,420 Bishop of Carlisle 5,300 Bishop of Worcester and rector of Hartlebury 9,600 Bishop of Winchester 28,730 Bishop of Hereford Bishop of Exeter, 48 6,500 Bishop of St. David's, prebend of Durham -6,260 100 Bishop of Bangor 4,310 Bisho, of Bristol, rector of Berwick, master of Trinity College, Cambridge Bishop of Rochester 4,470 5,400 Bishop of Peterboro' 4.140 Bishop of Gloucester 3,200 Bishop of Landaff (the poorest see in the hierarchy) Bishop of Scdor and Man (no return of the revenue)

In addition to the above, there are 62 Archdeaconties, the values of which vary in amount, but average £8,000 a year each. And in addition to these enormous incomes, £100,000 have been annually voted by Parliament towards the support of the poor clergy of this rich church .- Many of the Deaneries, as those of Westminster, Windsor, St. Paul's, Salisbury, Lincoln, Exeter, and Wells, produce incomes varying from £1,500 to £12,000 BATED BY HIS RATIONAL PACULTY.

"I said ye are gods, and all children of the Most High; nevertheless, as men ye shall die."—Ps. lxxxi. 6, 7.

Man is born, of all animals, the most indigent, helpless, and dependant; but he alone is born the child of reason, and this gives him the superiority over them all. He enters this world feeble, naked, and wholly destitute; but endowed with mental powers, which, in due time, amply compensate for all his deficiencies, by making every object in nature minister to his wants, comforts, and enjoyments.

The other animals having no such resources in themselves, are at once provided for by nature. Their coats and coverings are fitted to them, and wonderfully adapted in their texture and density to the various climates in which they are destined to roside. Man is the only animal unprovided for, because he is the only one capable of providing for himselt. He is the animal of all climates, for the whole earth is his own. He is therefore left free to choose according to the climate where he wishes to reside, that govering which suits him best-the only being on earth that can shift his dress at pleasure, and thus adapt his frame to every temperature; whereus, the Russian bear, for instance, would faint with heat under his thick matted fur in the burning deserts of Africa; while the elepliant or camel, and other tropical animals, would starve under their thin, short, and scanty pile, in the frezen wilds of the polar regions. The human foot, which is destined to trace the rocky and rugged tracks, as well as the soft, smooth, and sandy; to pierce the thickets and thorny wilds; to wade through hyperborean snows, and explore the remotest icy extremities of the globe; is formed naked, and free to fit itself for its several excursions with the best adapted desensive coverings; whereas we observe the feet of other animals shaped, shoed, and covered, at once in the fashion and manner best suited to their invariable habits and particular instincts. Thus, the camel's foot is broad, soft, and spongy, as best calculated to tread, without sinking, the soft, sandy deserts of its nativo country; where, having often immense dry and barren wastes to traverse, nature has besides furnished it, in its stomach, with a separate reservoir for water, which it spends in supplying its thirst, where no water is else to be found. So, the mountain goat, the sheep, the horse, the ox, and ass, with the other animals, that frequent in every place the habitations of man, or drudge for him along the hardest soils and pavements, have their feet securely fenced round with tough enduring horn, which grows, as wasted, and repairs itself when used. They are also clothed and armed against all contingencies; and yield, in fine, their spoils to cover their all depending lord. The claws of birds, enabling them to cling to the waving boughs of the forest, the common rendezvous of the ærial race; the web-foot of the water fowl;the scales, fins and shells of the various fishes; and all the peculiarities in construction and form observable in the several creatures, demonstrate the particular

care of nature in providing for those beings ! for himself his needful raiment; that very shews him to be the rational lord, and unrestricted master of all things here below. posal.

ho is far inferior to numberless other secures him the absolute sway. It enables him to turn all their superior force and useful qualities to his own exclusive advantage; and to make them exert such wholly in the performance of his drudgeries. It is a proud spectacle to reflecting will and caprice of so many powerful animals, that, with the slightest exertion of which are often seen driven along in countless herds by the feeblest child, and comdirection pointed out to them by their infant conductor-the child of reason.

The proportion which man holds in size and strength with the other animals, is just what best befits him. He is not so large and strong as those made to be his drudging menials, nor so diminutively small and weak, as not to impose upon them by his presence, and make them sensible of his compulsive power. Should they prove refractory, though so strongly armed, their offensive weapons are vainly turned against their rational lord, notwithstanding the defenceless state in which nature has left him. But she has left him so only that he might himself choose, as occasion should require, his own weapons, (defensive or offensive,) against which neither the sharp pointed horns of the furious, rushing bull, nor the fleet courser's recalcitrating hoof. nor the lion's deadly jaws and-fangs, can prevail. Reason teaches him to call into the aid of his native weakness the very fire, water, earth, and air, subservient to his purpose. What his own strength cannot effect, with the exactest calculated mechanical power he can easily accomplish-If ought evades his pursuit from the superior swiftness of its flight, he arrests it with his thunderbolt, and nails it to the ground. So that from his comparative weakness and inability, are derived his matchless might and skill; for it is the property of reason to ennoble, exalt, and perfect the creatures on whom it shines, in proportion as they are lowly, depressed, feeble, and defective.

THE PUSEVITE CONTROVERSY .- We have received the following announcewell informed .- "A meeting of the bish-'Tracts for the Times.' "-Standard.

that cannot provide for themselves. If the Orangemen are uncommonly busy at arms are distributed by these same magis- among the liberal inhabitants of the North, man, therefore, alone, must be at the ex- present in recruiting their forces against, trates to such mon as they deem fit to up- is beyond description. Each mon feels penso and trouble of finding and fashioning one would think, some premeditated display of their anti-Catholic, anti-Canadian, anti necessity, that state of destitution, in which British, and now, anti-loyal prowess. We nature leaves him to shift for himself; - therefore think it our duty to warn the public against the dark machinations of this secretly sworn sect, which, in their which are left at his tree and arbitrary dis- struggle for ascendancy over their fellow citizens, have never scrupled, wherever In point of bodily strength and agility, they have been, to keep up wantonly the most deadly feuds and anti-social aggrescreatures, over all which his reason alone sions; acquitting always in their Orange packed juries, as they are bound to do, the most clearly proved murderers of their gangs; and remorselessly swearing away the lives of their innocent countrymen, who approve not of their desperate doings. It is necessary for the well-being of society man to behold the tame submission to his in the Canadas, that the public pour in petitions from all quarters against them to the ensuing Parliament; which, if not their gigantic might, could crush his pigmy attended to by our provincial legislators, frame and trample it in the dust; yet, should, in one universally signed petition, be laid at the foot of the throne. Orange, Ribbon, Freemason, and all such secretly nelled to march against their choice in the | sworn societies, should not be tolerated in civilized society. If the secret oaths by which their members bind themeslves are for good, why conceal their purport from the public? There is nothing hidden, says the Saviour, which shall not be revealed.

We have witnessed in the Jacobin revolution of France, and its dire effects, what the Freemason conspiracy of Weishup, against the altir and the throne, could effect. The Carbonari conspiracy against all existing lawful power, is another warning to the public of the same kind; and nearer home, the atrocious deeds and well known evil tendency of the American Hunter's Lodges, should make us take measures in time to smother the crater which threatens such devastating eruptions.

### THE ORANGE MURDERS.

The trial for the recent murder of M'Ardle in the county of Down, by a party of Peel's yeomanry, has resulted in the aclaws of nature, and to make the elements, | quittal of the persons accused. Now that a jury has acquitted them, it would be illegal to say they were the persons who perpetrated it: Nothing could be more distinct than the evidence adduced against them, and all the witnesses for the prosecution were of the most unexceptionable character. But what of that? prisoners were Orangemen, accused of the murder of an Irish papist, and tried by a jury of twelve Orangemen; there could have been no other result expected -Even the Mail, the organ of Orangemen, declines " giving any opinion on the subject of the extraordinary acquittal" of these men; a modesty on its part, which too clearly shows the conscientious conviction of their guilt. The De Grey government will be tested as to their affected imparment from a quarter which ought to be tiality, by their conduct towards the Orange yeomanry. If they have any senso ps will shortly take place in London, for of justice left, they will at once call in the purpose of considering the present their arms-If a Casholic has a fowlingstate of the church, in reference to the law; and by the form of registry, he is at doctrines lately put forth in some of the the mercy of the Orango magistracy, who may certify for him or not, as they please | occurrences, coupled with the acquittal of veilog-bridge, Dowlas - Welshman.

hold the ascendancy of sectarian and antinational principles. The men who murdered M'Ardle, perpetrated the deed with a yeomanry musket, as they were returning from target practice! The northern papers, which arrived to-day, give the details of another sanguinary murder, an account of which I transcribe from the Belfast Vindicator:

On the night of Thursday, the 27th ult.,

a person named William Hamill, had "a

dance" in his house, in the townland of

Mowillian. This piece of amusement

was reported in the neighborhood for a week previous to its coming off. It was generally supposed to be an Orange dance; but there were a few Catholic (male and female) invited, to save appearances.-Four or five young lads, thinking that they might be participators in the sport bribed, a length of time back, to betray went to the place; but, on the first boy his former associates—and of course his entering his name was Edward Devlin—testimony alone will not suffice to procure entering (his name was Edward Devlin- testimony alone will not suffice to procure a quiet, inoffensive, innocent lud,) a musket a conviction. The evidence of an informwas fired at him; he was shot thro' the left er was at no time in good odour with the breast, and instantly dropped dead. The public, and we imagine that it will be others, however, rushed in to disarm the looked upon, in future, with even increased murderer; but, to their amazement, they suspicion. Our readers are familiar with found them prepared for the work of death, the case of Delahunt, who cut the child's found them prepared for the work of death in a wholesale manner. Another boy, throat in Dublin to. the Parties and it named O'Neil, was on the next moment shot at and dangerously wounded across both his breasts, and the contents lodged in the fleshy part of his left arm. He is still in the utmost danger of his life. A object-Sligo Champion. third, named Samuel M'Gennity, had a pistol enapped at his breast : it fortunately could for their lives; but being unarmed, they could make but slight defence. The fellow, against whom information has been sworn for the murder of Devlin, ran into this town, and alarmed the police. he lay until there was an inquest held next day by David M'Kee, Esq., coroner. The Orange miscreants passing by the deceased, taunted the poor Catholics, saying, "What do you think of your boy, these indignities were suffered in silence by the people, expecting to have justice at the hand of the authorities. But I understand the verdict of the coroner's jury, the minority of whom were Catholics, was, "murdered by some persons then unknown," and that a man named R. M' Keown has been since fully identified and committed for trial at the ensuing Derry assizes. - O'Neill was brought into Moneymore before the magistrates, by tho police, thinking to be called on to pass his examinations against any of the party he could identify; but strange to tell, he was held to bail, to stand his trial for "a rior." M'Gennity offered to swear against the fellow who snapped the pistol at him, and whom he disarmed, but his examinations have not been received.

We learn from all quarters that | While on the other hand the government | the murderers of M'Ardle, has given rise to that he may himself be the next victim. and that punishment will nover reach tho offender .- Correspondence of B. Pilot.

#### RIBBONISM.

Since our last number was published no new Ribbon disclosure or arrests have taken place in this neighborhood. On the contrary, we understand, that the individuals, who had been arrested previously, have been since liberated on bail. Indeed, we incline to be of opinion, that the whole business will turn out to be what in common language is termed "a mare's nest." -No documents of an illegal kind have, we believe, been found on the persons of those arrested. In fact, the whole evidence against those men is that of an informer, named Hagan, who has been

## THE ORANGE REGIME.

Awful state of the County Down .- It happened that it "burned prime," and his is with extreme regret that I communicate life was spared.—M'Gennity disarmed the the melancholy fact that there are at his antagonist in his possession. The Down and the present upwards of sixty prisoners in poor fellows then fought as hard as they charged with the commission of heinous crimes. More than twenty of these are charged with distinct murders-a number greater for that awful crime than wero contained in all the calenders in this hitherto peaceable county during the tea The poor fellow who had been shot, reel- years we had of a Whig administration. ed and fell on a heap of manure, where Ninteen of them are Orangemen charged with murder; and as many of their confederates, for the same crime that have not been apprehended as yet

"The Marquis of Sligo has given a leasenow? he looks well lying there." All for ever, at a nominal rent, to the Archbishop of Tuam and several Trustees, for establishing a Convent of Mercy at West

> The Protestant Archbishop of Armagh. has published a letter condemnatory of Puseyism, in reply to a memorial from he Protestant inhabitants of Dungannon.

HEARTRENDING CASE.-Last week wo stated the startling and most revolting fact,. that such was the dreadful distres in several parts of South Wales, that men hadbeen discovered greedilydevouring grains,. the pig's food; and this week we hear that a half-famished wretch was recently seen at the pig's trough, picking out tho pieces and swallowing them with the avidity of a starving man. This exemplification of the misery entailed on the peo-The alarm which the repetition of these ple by the corn laws took place at Gelli-

### EFFORTS TO EVANGELIZE AMERICA.

The discovery of America has reulized one of the most mysterious parables of the gospel. For fifteen centuries the church had opened her sacred marringo feasts, the United States and those in the Eng-By her instructions and her beneficence, lish possessions; to which may be added, she had invited the nations of the old world; and some still refused to take their place in the festival of universal communion, while some retired, ungrateful guests, with hatred in their hearts and murmurs on their lips. The east had apostatized for the third time, the day after the council of Florence, and the north was ready to shake at the voice of Luther. Then the church sent her servants land, Ireland, and Germany, by which by the paths of the ocean, to search out alone this predigious increase can be exthe poor nations that were forgotten by history and unknown to science, and desire them to come and fill the empty places. And that great navigator who was entrusted with this service, Christopher Columbus, performed it with a religious without pastors, orphans without asylums design. The powers which first reaped and children without schools, who became the fruits of these labors, seemed to take an easy prey to the opulent proselytism of possession in the name of the Catholic the Protestant sects; and finally the hapreligion. Spain, mistress of the isthmus py efforts which have triumphed over which unites the two parts of the continent and of the chain of islands interpo- bishops have collected around them a sed between them, extended her conquests clergy of 500 members, and a Catholic to Chili on the south, and the extremity population of about 1,250,000 souls. of California on the north. She met, on There have arisen already, under the authe one side, the colonies of Portugal in spices of the prelates, 11 seminaries, 16 Brazil, and on the other the establish colleges, 45 boarding schools, 42 charity ments of France in Canada and Louisi- schools, 25 asylums, containing more ana. Certainly, the rule of Spain was than 1,000 orphans, 7 hospitals, 14 instinot irreproachable; but she never deserve tutions for the relief of various classes of ed the accusations brought against her by the unfortunate. Having thus made all historians who have so long slandered things ready, religion waits at the ports the Catholic nations; and she alone has to receive the European emigrants whom understood the secret of subduing savage poverty annually leads there, to the number tribes without destroying them; of assimilating them to her own people by imparting her faith and her manners, and of reigning over something besides demolished forests and undisciplined bands of emigrants. The primitive race of Redi Skins having become christian and civilized, united with its conquerers by frequent intermarriages, now forms the basis of their population. The work then accomplished has resisted the late political agitations; and South America, while connected her with Europe, has not broken those which united her to the holy Roman Church. In other parts and when the harvest is less abundant, the enemy muss needs sow tares. At a late hour, heresy made her appearance, and led to the coasts of North America, the most violent of her disciples, the restless Puritans. Soon, other sects cast their scum upon the same shores, and Protestantism gained sovereignty in the thirteen colonies which were destined to become the United States. The new republic soon ac quired Louisiana and the Floridas, while the cession of Canada to England gave to the pretended reformation a second empire in the north. Yet the Catholic church could not abandon the territory. Despoiled of her honors, deprived of all her resources but those of grace, all powceased to maintain the struggle so vigor-creased one-fourth; and that of priests ously; that her adversaries begin to doubt and of the fuithful, one-third. Their un-

shall be the domain of truth or of error, is a question yot to be decided.

The missions in America may be divided into two principal groups-those in the Dutch colonies and the republic of Texas.

1. United States .- It will suffice briefly to mention some general facts which have been conjousty detailed in the 'Annals;' such as, the increase of the three millions who inhabited the country at the declaration of Independence to thirteen millions; the emigration from Engplained; the impossibility which the Catholic religion encountered at first, of meeting the new wants with its small number of ministers and destitution of pecuniary means; the multitude of colonists of two or three hundred thousand. She addresses each in his own language; she introduces them to friends of their own nation; she takes their children in her arms; she shares their sufferings, which are often the heaviest part of their scanty baggage. She readily condescends to the necessities of time and place; she uses advantageously the freedom of the press and parliamentary forms; seven journals are devoted to her defence, and solemn discus sions, surrounded by all desirable guaranbreaking the bands of government which ties of publicity, snatch numerous victims from error. While all the artificial wants of the most advanced civilization are thus met, apostolic men are collecting the fragments of savage tribes, crowded together, transplanted to the extremities of the union; while in the cities, and on the surrounding plantations, the poor negres also receive the consolations of the faith, which reveals to them the pardon of their sins: In view of such beneficial results, we may well believe that the creation of the American episcopate will rank as one of the most important events in the ecclesinstical history of the nuneteeth century. Its efficacious activity recalls to mind something of those labors of organization, by which the illustrious bishops of primitive times, among the depraved Romans, the Arians and the Barbarians, provided for the future welfare of modern nations. er but that of the word, she has never in 10 years the number of dioceses has in-

erance, in the midst of the perpetual divisions of heretical opinions. In the At- fortunate enough to draw the attention, lantic states, they form a powerful minority. In the greater part of the western states, they form a plurality, and at some points, perhaps a majority of the inhabitants. But great sacrifices are yet demanded, to confirm and extend these admirable results. It would be bad economy to delay the establishment of christian institutions where the land belongs, so to speak, to the first occupant. Finally, religion should be able to say, like its divine Author, to the emigrant families, who are going every day to build new hamlets, villages and cities, "Verily, wherever you assemble in my name, there I will be in the midst of you."

## ENGLAND.

PARLIAMENTARY ANNOUNGEMENTS. Among the numerous announcements that have hitherto been made of business to be brought before Parliament, there are two that have ospecial interest for our readers. The first relates to the persecuted clergy; of Spain. In answer to a question but by Lord John Manners (M. P. for Newark,) on Monday, Mr. O'Connell, declared his intention, to bring their case under the notice of Parliament. We rejoice heartily that Mr. O'Connell has this intention, and we do not rejoice the less that the public expression of it has been elicited by a question from the Tory side of the House. An article in a recent number of the Courier, of the authorship of which we suspect that Lord John Manners knows something, ish clergy, went on to say, that in this cause the writer was willing to accept the aid even of Mr O'Connell. We beg to return the compliment. The cause is a good one; as good as any that man exerof notices :-

Mr. John O'Connell-To call the attention of the House to the grievances that seamen, paupers, convicts, and other prisoners of the Catholic persuasion are frequently subjected to, in being compelled to attend divine service, or other religious exercises, according to the forms of the Protestant Church in violation of the express prohibition of their own church,-(Early day after the Easter recess.)

The following letter from Mr. John O'-Connell gives every necessary explanation; and we beg to add our humble thanks and congratulation to the honorable member for the zeal which has prompted him to take up this important subject :—

TO. THE EDITOR OF THE TABLET.

Trafalgar Hotel, Feb. 11, 1842. Sin-I beg to enclose you a notice of a motion given by me in the House of Commons, on the compulsory attendance of Catholics abourd men of war, in workhouses prisons, and hulks, on protestant Church service, reading, or exhortation.

the issue. Whether half the new world | ion seems for them un unfailable prepend-| would much oblige me by letting it appear in your journal, as I may thereby be and secure the kind assistance of many who are cognizant of strong facts bearing upon this grievance. The notice is not exactly worded as I shall make the motion, but of course conveys its general intention.

> The interest which the Catholic community have in the matter will, I trust, plead my excuse with you for this intrusion. I have the honor to be, sir, your faithful ser-

As Mr. O'Connell states that his notice is not exactly worded in the terms of the intended motion, we will venture to suggest that the range of subjects might, perhaps, be a little extended. Seamen are included, We have a case now but not soldiers. before us in Madras, where Lieut. Col. Jones, of H. M. 57th Regiment, quartered in Fort St. George, repeatedly, and in defiance of public remonstrance wantonly interfered to prevent the attendance of his Catholic soldiers at mass on Sunday morning. On one occasion heselects that particular hour for muster; the next week he exhibits his tonder care for their health by refusing them permission to stir out till the evening, on the plea of rain; and so on.-Another important branch of the subject is the treatment of Catholic children in regimental schools. In another column (Catholic Intelligence) we have taken occasion, on the authority of the Madras Ezaminer, to mention with honor the name of Colonel Breton, and the Right Reval Dr. Spencer, for their humane conduct in this particular. The Catholic Herald informs us, that in the 57th Regiment aforesaid, a similar mitigation of the old rule after ably stating the cause of the Span- has lately been introduced through the intervention of the commander-in-chief, Major-General Sir Robert Dick. On Sunday, the 21st of November, "the attendance of the Catholic children of the regidrew sword, or used pen, or wagged tonguo and intimation given, that for the future ment at catechism was dispensed with, in behalf of; and in this good cause we they would not be expected to learn the are heartly willing to accept the aid even Protestant catechism." This relaxation is of Lord John Manners. The second an- of course very good; but it is only the bethus printed in the House of Commons list ginning of good, and it shows the evil that We mention these facts that we maydo our part towards bringing the subject, in all its details, under the notice of the honorable member, who will then of course deal. with it according to his better judgment.-Tablet.

> EXTRAORDINARY APPAIR IN CORFU.-The Augsburg Gazette mentions a report of some serious disturbances having occurred at Corfu on Christmas Day, in consequence of the people being irritated at an attack of an English missionary on the rites and doctrines of the Greek Church. A collision, it says, took place between the people and the troops, and the latter were forced to retire into the citadel with a loss of six men killed. The missionary attempted to escape by sea, but was seized by the people; his fate was not known. The Austrian Observer mentions the disturbance which took place at Corfu, in consequence of the zeal of an American missionary. This person has been sent off to Greece. On the 26th and 27th there was a renewal of these disorders, a soldien You killed and 12 wounded.

# Scientific and Miscellaneous.

WATER SPOUTS .- The phenomena with which no doubt, most of the audience are familiar, said Dr. Lardner, called water spouts, are known to be electric. A faint representation of them, is seen in the whirlwinds of dust which occur on dry roads. When they take place at son, the general appearance is this: A dark cloud is gradually formed: a cone is observed on the cloud descending towards the water; the water immediately beneath begins to boil, like that of a spring. When the apex of the cone comes in contact with the water, there is generally an evolution of light, attended with sound like that of thunder, and the sulphurous odoar that ensues is like that which follows the striking of lightning. Ships would be taken up, if they should be sailing where the water spout occurs. When they take place upon the land, trees are often torn up by the roots, houses are unroofed, cattle are taken up, and men have unfrequently lost their lives by being drawn up by them. An extraordinary case occurred in Calais, in France. A mother was walking with her child. Immediately after the water spout had taken place, the child was found quite dead, with no other appearance of injury than a small hole upon the back of the neck, but the mother was wholly uninjured. This was a clear indication of the electric phenomenon. The child had received the electric fluid from the cloud, which caused its instant death.

The occurrence of water spouts never takes place in storms. When the atmosphere is in a state of repose they take place, in dead calms, often with the most tremendous velocity and destructiveness

The theory of these phenomona is nothing more than an extension of the great electric principal developed by Franklin. The clouds and the earth are habitually in a condition to produce the development, and it would be very difficult to say how many of the smaller electric indications, which are continually going on, but which do not attract any striking observation, are produced by the habitual tendency to which allusion has been made. When water spouts occur on the land, it is in consequence of the positive electricity of the clouds attracting the negative electricity of the earth; and so also upon the water, A gyratory motion is produced, luminous flashes are thrown off, and a rumbling noise is produced, showing every indicathat they are strictly electric phenomena

THE SATURNIAN SYSTEM .- The planet Saturn, observed the lecturer, is the most remarkable body to which the attention of the observer can be directed, in the Solar System. Its contemplation cannot fail to strike the mind with awe in the contemplation of the unspeakable intelligence which created the sublime system of the universe. The planet Saturn revolves system in every star, the microscope unaround the San at the enormous distance of one hundred thousand millions of miles.

ten times more distant from the sun than families of a busy population. The one Duke and Duchess d'Angoleme occupy the earth is still Herschell has most satis- shows us the insignificance of the world the castle, and the Duke de Bordeaux refactorily demonstrated that the light which the sun affords him is three hundred thousand times greater than the beams of the leaves of every forest, in the flowers of moon, and no doubt quite adequate to the wants of its inhabitants. It is ever a remarkable evidence of the wisdom of the Great Architect, that when a planet is thus remote from the Sun, it is supplied with subsidiary planets or moons, and besides ho is encircled with his luminous belts which have moved on in their revolutions around him since the Creation .-You know that with these luminous belts or rings, and his satellites, he forms the centre of a separate system, moving on in that wonderful arrangement of harmonizing distances which Kepler demonstrated to the admiration of the astronomers, and philosophic observers.

Saturn revolves upon his axis, like the earth, every day; but observers notice that his day is ten hours in length, giving his inhabitants five hours of the light of the Sun, and the alternation of five hours of night. The streaks of shadow which he exhibits, show that he has an atmosphere capable of supporting animal life, and there is no question that its inhabicants participate in all the agreeable sensations which attend the regular revolutions of the seasons to the dwellers upon

The rings of Saturn, to which I have before alluded, have attracted much attention among Astronomers. It was not until Sir William Hershell had obtained the aid of telescopes of immense power, that the rings were discovered at all. Previous observers mistook them for three distinct planets. It has now been shown that the distance between the two luminous belts or rings of Saturn, is three thousand miles-while the space between the body of Saturn and the inner ring is about thirty-three thousand miles, within which he has kept on his unerring revolutions since the moment when the Universe was called into being.

It will afford us some idea of the stupendous grandeur of this wonderful planet to recollect that its magnitude is one thousand times greater than that of earth; but its density has been ascertained to be about equal to the same mass of cork.

To his inhabitants, the seven moons constantly revolving around, must present a truly beautiful appearance. You know that three or four of these are always presented at the same time, and all his satellites follow each other so closely in their revolutions, there must be imparted to the heavens that beneficent arrangement of light, which the Maker of the Planetary System has so wisely adapted to the wants of the intelligent races of his Creation.

TH . PELESCOPE AND THE MICROSCOPE -While the telescope enables us to see : folds to us a world in every atom. The one instructs us that this mighty globe, from the original map of that distinguished vast field of immensity—the otler, that spacious to accomodate all the members of

we inhabit-the other redeems it from all its insignificance, for it tells that in the every garden, in the waters of every rivulet, there are worlds teeming with life, and numberless as are the stars of the firmament. The one suggests to us, that above and beyond all that is visible to man there may be regions of creation which sweep immeasurably along, and carry the impress of the Almighty's hand to the remotest scenes of the universe-the other, that within and boneath all that minuteness which the sided eye of man has been able to explore, there may be a world of invisible beings; and that, could we draw aside the mysterious curtain which shrouds it from our senses, we might behold a the unfold, a universe within the compass of a point, so small as to elude the powers of Ruler of all things finds room for the exercise of his attributes, where he can raise another mechanicism of worlds, and fill of His glory -Dr. Chalmers.

THE EX-ROYAL FAMILY OF FRANCE. -The Duke de Bordeaux attained his majority on the 29th of last September. He then entered into possession of his estates, which consist chiefly of forests, purchased for the Duke in France, during the reign of Louis XVIII. The young Prince has been confirmed in the lawful possession of these domains, by decisions pronounced by soveral of the French Courts of law, since the revolution of July 1830. The annual revenue derived from the landed possessions above alluded to, amounts to six millions of francs. Of this sum, two millions of francs per annum are set aside as the portion of Mademoiselle, the Doke's sister, who is a year elder than his Royal Highness.

The young Duke, whom a portion of the French legitimistes regard as King of France, and address by the title of Louis XIX., is comparatively without fortune; but limited as are his resources, he nevertheless does a great deal of good. He has, with becoming dignity, declined the pecuniary offers repeatedly made to him by several European Powers. This noble disinterestedness commands the respect and admiration even of those who are far from advocating the principles of the ex-royal family.

The Duchess de Berry, or as she is now more frequently styled, the Countess de Rosny, has an extensive estate at Grætz, with a spacious chalcau, splendidly furnished in the French style. The Castle of Kirchberg, the summer residence of the elder branch of the Bourbons, is an old unseemly-looking building; it was hurriedly purchased by the Duke de Blacas for Charles X, when that prince fell ill on his journey from Prague. The winter residence of the royal family is Greetz, where they I will now exhibit to you an illuminated with the whole burthen of its people and occupy three separate buildings, there berepresentation of the planet, drawn for me its countries, is but a grain of sand in the ling no single one in the town sufficiently

Astronomer, Sir ohn Herschell. It is every atom may harbor the tribes and the family and their numérous suites. The sides in a noighboring house. At dinner, all the members of the family assemble together in the castle.

Once or twice a week, there is a reception at the castle; and the Duke de Bordeaux, who is exceedingly affable, occasionally visits some of the residents of the town. The young Prince is a remarkably handsome young man. Some time ago, a marriage was in contemplation between him and the daughter of a German Prince, but the negotiations on the subject have now ceased. Several proposals have been made for the hand of Mademoiselleb u t none which have been deemed acceptable in the opinion of the elder branch of the Bourbons.

atre of as many wonders as astronomy can Donation of 100% to the German Ca-THOLIC CHAPEL, BY, THE KING OF PRUS-SIA.—The King of Prussia has given 1001 the microscope, but where the Almighty to the German Catholic Chapel in London, on a simple demand of the incumbent, the Rev. James Lynch. The donation arrived a few moments before the great and animate them all, with the evidences family dinner of the German Catholics, in honor of the Christening of the Prince of Wales, took place. The Rey. J. Jauch. who presided on that occasion, gave as the first teast "His Holiness the Pope, the Venerable Father, and model of Christian Sovereigns." "The Queen," "Prince of Wales," "Prince Albert," and other toasis followed. After having, at the collection in behalf of the chapel, placed the check of 1001, on the plate in the name of the royal donor, the rev. gentleman gave "The health of his Majesty the Kingof Prussia, the sincere lover and promoter of equal justice to all." Immediately after this followed "His Grace Clement August, Archbishop of Cologne, the glorious model of an apostolic prelate, the most faithful, loyal, and useful subject of the King of Prussia." The donation to the German Catholic Chapel is the more valuable, as no one was there besides the humble pastor to solicit or to recommend such a favor, and as the different German, Lutheran, and other Protestant pastors who applied personally to the King obtained only 50%, for their respective chapels .- Tab lt.

> EXTRAORDINARY MECHANICAL INVEN-TION .- The Augsburg Gazette states that a mechanician named Macdinger, residing at Neubourg, on the Danube, had constructed a carriage on three wheels, which, by the effect of some interior mechanism was impelled at the rate of four leagues. an hour. A child may set the machine in motion, and the inventor is at present con-structing a machine on a large scale, which he expects will render the construction of railroads no longer necessary.

> A SIMPLE REMEDY AS A PREVENTIVE TO CHILDREN BEING BURNT.—The following simple but excellent preventive to children being burnt, by their dresses at this season of the year accidentally taking fire during the absence of parents, was recommended, and found to be an excellent proventive, by the late Thomas Stirling, Esq., coroner for Middlesex, -viz., the dresses after, being washed, should be well dipped in strong alum-water, which prevents either muslin or linen diesses blazing, and which would be the means of preventing numerous fatal accidents.

## EDUCATION IN CANADA.

THE SULPICIANS.

From the bishop, who is fragrant of the odor of living sanctity, to the humblest sister who ministers to the blind and parafized pauper of the Hotel Dieu, every creature of the religious society of this city seems actuated by the pervading spirit of love for man, unceasing, untiring, and entire. Before we had the pleasure of knowing Montreal, we had the misfortune to imbibe some of the prejudices so common to our countrymen, and which arise from the attribution of enormous revenue to the Sulpicians of that city. We came to the examination of Montreal, sceptical regarding merit, und, we fear, predisposed to admit defects; but a short period sent us away from the good brothers, and from the clergy in general, admiring their virtues-grateful for the opportunities of judging, which they afforded, and anxiously desiring that all the clergy of the world would know their duties so well and perform them so exactly.

We do not know whether we violate the sanctuary of hospitality, when we say that our first lesson on the virtue of the Sulpicians, was derived from their dinner-board. After retiring from their gorgeous church, which, we believe, already cost £70,000, and which is capable of accommodating some 20,000 persons, we confess that our imaginings received a severe shock upon entering the domicile of St. Sulpice. We often heard of the " palace of the priest and the poverty of the altar," but no adage helped us to augur the extreme absence of comfort for the former, from the expenditure of every thing he possessed upon the latter.

The clergymen's rooms, eight or ten feet square, and furnished with a bed, a chair, a table, and crucifix-the clean but coarse walls of narrow and roughly-boarded, or roughly-flagged corridors-the unfeigned humility which everywhere met our eye in cassocked divines, who are always engaged in parochial duty, or study, or devotion,-all contrasted strikingly, but favorably, with the church in which we had prayed, and the pomp which we had imagined, but a few minutes before. Of the "banquetting hall," we shall say little. In the true spirit of Christianity, it seems least esteemed, because least worthy of regard. A small flagged, and, we really believe, a cellar-room, unfurnished, unless by the sacred sign of redemption, receives at a very humble board the's lords of Montreal." No menial waits to serve, or is over summoned to minister at the table. Each brother is the keeper of his own table furniture, and the attendant upon his own table comforts. He seems to eat, as he does all things beside, because it is a duty. Yet a glance will tell you, a moment's converse will convince you, that you are among gentlemen both by birth and education. It cannot be concealed, that in youth, men whose only reward in this world-for they never receive one pouny-is a coarse cassock and an hum ble meal-were something different from what you now behold them-and you

lution before you.

But where are concealed the untold riches which must result from the combination of frugality, personal poverty and great rental? Is their wealth hoarded innocence-presented themselves. The of a miser's contingency, or to be exhausted hereafter upon some project which interesting novice presented us with a would call into exercise even a miser's benevolence? No, it is already gone -every shilling-and the seminary of St. Sulthe sacrifice of its available resourcesall for the cause of education.

It would be worse than waste of time to speak of the merits of Montreal Col-claimed. Here is one body of priests; lege. They are known and appreciated. We speak not of the system of education. As to that, we differ from our Canadian extent of the education which can be conferred by Montreal-the facilities which blest artisan of obtaining a complete academical course—the advances which 300 pupils are constantly making in virtue, science and literature, at an expense almost nominal—are subjects of legitimate pride to St. Sulpice.

There is, in a beautiful part of Montreul a splendid executed building of carved granite. It is almost 90 feet by 30, and divided into three compartments, separated one from the other by glazed partitions. Everything within and without the edifice proclaims a well-educated architectural taste, and a systematic arrangement for a well ordered public school. Passing through the building you enter a garden, where utility is not forgotten in the desire for beauty; and house the Superior of the "Christian cial, and to some degree, elegant education cix or seven hundred boys of every class in society, and, we believe, of every religion. They will exhibit mappings, or architectural designs, and other very clenine to thirteen years of age. They are supported, however, at an expense of several hundreds per annum. These houses have been erected at an expense of 10,000%: there is no revenue derivable from any public fund; and the house often may require improvement or repair. Who accomplishes all this-and who imported the reverend "Brothers" into the country—by whose instrumentality so many lasting public benefits are conferred upon Canada? Who? Why the bigoted

At the "Orphan Asylum" of Montreal, an amiable nun usincred us into a room where fifty cleanly dressed boys, whose in other respects. The "golden age of open and sinny faces at once proclaimed their or gin from the " Isle of the Ocean," received as with a hymn of welcome.-"Who are they who support these child-

terious influence which produces the revo-|" The seminary of St. Sulpice." We | more satisfactorily accounted for. The were not a little moved, we confess, and not a little grateful. We entered another apartment. Fifty girls, radiant with smiles—the smiles of happy childhood's up in well secured coffers, in anticipation sweet little children—they were orphans the rise of prices. A more important also-the orphans of Irish parents. An variety of female work, some of them surpassingly beautiful, which were produced by the children. "Who supports these pice has added pecuniary responsibility to fair orphans ?" we asked again. "The seminary of St. Sulpice," was the reply. ers ;-a change which it seems impossible Well, thank God, there is one corporation worthy of its institution, we inwardly exthey have built and endowed a beautiful happen without much temporary suffering, seminary—built and endowed one of the greatest parochial schools we have ever of the condition of some part of the peop friends, perhaps considerably. But the beheld-support seven teachers to bestow ple; for it never has been shown-it cangratuitous instruction upon the mass of the population—support and clothe one the college affords to the child of the hum- hundred poor orphans—and contribute to benefits the hands which produce it. support many other free schools in and Each state of society has its evils. The about Montreal; while they deprive themselves of the conveniences of life-keep not one penny in the world-nay, involve themselves to some extent for the furtherance of the ends of their institution, which is education.

> Such are the efforts of the Society of St. Sulpice, and with these we end for today .- Halifax Register.

#### THE COMMERCIAL SPIRIT.

The just-published number of the Edinburgh Review contains a paper on "Knight's Pictorial History of England," in which we have found one or two statements that seem to us particularly woron an emmence at some short distance thy of notice. The article itself, though from you stands an elegant and commodi- it displays some learning, and some fairous dwelling house. Should you be as ness, of both of which the writer occasionfortunate as we were, you will find in this ally makes a dexterous use, is no further remarkable than as the production of a Brothers." Here there are seven of them, modern philosopher, laudator temporis They confer the blessings of a commer-presentis, and containing admissions as to the prevalence of a better spirit in times free of all charge, real or nominal, upon that are gone by. The facts to which he refers have long been undeniable, and the admissions are by no means new, but their value is very variously estimated. and the matter comprised in them really ver peformances, by boys varying from goes down to the very foundations of our present distresses—so far as they may be at all accounted for by human considerations. The passages to which we alluded have reference to the comparative condition of the poor in times preceding and succeeding the Reformation. The first we shall quote runs in this fashion. The writer, after speaking for the (supposed) immense intellectual progress that distinguished the reign of Elizabeth, proceeds as follows :- .

It seems undeniable that the actual and ignorant priests of Montreal Semi-condition of the labouring body of the people-that which we set out by examming-was getting rather worse than better during this era of unexampled advance Queen Bess "was anything but golden, we fear, to the peasantry of England .-Many causes have been assigned for this; indeed, few facts in economical history

constant fall in the value of moneywas one -for usage goes for much in fixing the rate of all contracts, at least for a time; and consequently the rise of money wages followed slowly and irregularly one was the gradual conversion of the class of yeomanry-occupiers of small farms at low fixed rents or services, and, consequently, in one sense, part proprietors of the soil, as we have shown before -into farmersat rack-rent, and day labourto prevent in any country, without checking, at the same time, the growth of opulence and civilization; and which cannot perhaps without a permanent worsening not be shown that the enormous increase of surplus wealth which follows the change small yeomen of England in the middle ages were slovenly cultivators. They often fell into want from carelessnes, or into extreme distress from temporary scarcity. They were a race among whom improvement in habits took place very slowly. But, on the whole, in the enjoyment of physical comfort, no less than in that of the jewel independence, theirs was probably a superior condition to that of landless labourers, even in the most advanced and opulent communities. "Tho average price of an acre of land was, towards the close of Elizabeth's reign, about twice what it had been half a century earlier," while real wages had certainly fallen in the interval.

In another page the writer quotes Malthus with approbation, to the following

There is, no doubt, little reliance to be placed on any calculation founded on bare statements of the amount of money wages; but Mr. Malthus, the course of whose studies had led him to analyze this kind of evidence with peculiar care, fixes on the fifteenth century, especially, its latter part, as the period when the English laborer could command a greater portion of the comforts and necessaries of life than at any other.

Who Malthus is our readers know very well. His speculations on population lie at the root of most of the modern fashionable doctrines about the condition of the poor; more so, perhaps, than those of any other writer. The Reviswer, on the other hand, though we know him not, speaks for himself. He admires the change whose woeful effects he has pointed out and though he laments the degradation of the poor, yet with him the" growth of opulence and civilization" is a sufficient and overwhelming answer to " the "permanent worsening of the condition" of the labouring population.

We have no controversial object in citing this passage. We do not mean to use it'for the purpose of raking up arguments against the Reformation which this sad change accompanied. We are willing to suppose for a moment that there almost bow down in adoration of that mys | ren?" we asked. The unswer was | are better ascertained, or, on, the whole, was in reality no connection between the

old, liberal, genuine aristocracy of England into the sordid speculators in rackrents, by whom, according to the verdict of a true lover of the Commercial Spirit, they have been succeeded. We wish to take the fact nakedly, as it stands on the admissions of the political economists.

It stands, then, here written, that before the Reformation-for the change which the Reviewer describes dates back to the reign of Edward VI., and the later years of Henry VIII., and forms a stock topic lamentation in the sermons of Latimerthe race of landlords held their lands on very different principles from those which now flourish and are every where recognized. In spite of the principle of the political economists, that money will find its level; that the mass of every class (whether landholders or pedlars) will exact the market value for their commodities; that rents, like all other commodities, are governed by the laws of supply and demand, and various other sage maxims of about the same calibro—we here have the fact contradicting all this sublime theory. We here have a race of landlords existing for centuries, & letting their lands & exacting their rents quite upon other principles. In these middle ages, of which our Reviewer speaks, the holders of land seem to have been all but ignorant of those universal springs of action which alone are now in vogue. In their stupid ignorance of political economy, and the maxims of Mammon, they seemed to have imagined that it was a reasonable thing, and, perhaps, a part of their duty also, to attend to the comfort of their tenants; to leave rents low, and at a fixed rate; to respect established possession; to encourage hereditary transmission of tenants' tenures, as well as those of landlords; to respect, in the inferior classes of the state, as well as in their own, that tranquil and secure possession which is the basis of all true Conservatism.

It is a sad and almost pathetic thing to see how the fell progress of the commercial spirit is rooting out all the proofs of respect for the rights of the weak and defenceless, which former ages have handed down to us. All those customs of property and prescriptive tenures to which the old aristocratic benevolence gave birth are found cumbersome now: The grand feature of the old times was stability; that of the new-change. And we sweep away remorselessly the old landmarks of property, in order that land, as well as all other things, may pass from hand to hand at the whim of the moment, for money, no matter what moral interest suffers in the transfer. We are now rooting out all copyhold and customary tenures, and we think we are doing great things in tearing up these relics of past barbarism. It is an easy thing to destroy; but in our humble judgment the age which suffered them to grow up was a far greater, wiser, and more humane age than that which rejoices in their destruction. Who are these copyholders now? They are freemen who hold their land by as secure a legal title as that by which the monarch holds his throne.-What were they in the beginning?-

now, in a fiction of law, which glances back to their origin, they are tenants-atwill; tenants at the will of the lord of the manor. And yet the lord of the manor, who was once all-powerfull over these, can now no more interfere with them, so long as they discharge the few light services which appertain to their condition, than can the monarch, the proudest duke in her dominions. And how has this change been brought about? The extreme of dependence and the most servile condition exchanged for the acknowledged legal rights of freemen; and how? By acts of Parliament? By emancipationstatutes? By Kings, Lords, and Commons? No; it was by the general benevolence of the times, which respected even slaves in their present possessions; which gave the sanction of custom to possessions of an older date; which threw around customary possession the defences of prescriptive right; and which permitted law itself—so often said to be the cobweb in lars, hearders up of wealth, greedy, ravwhich the strong enmesh the weak-to enforce the prescriptive title of the slave against the unusual, irregular, and therefore illegal, will of the most potent feudal baron. Hence arose this system of copy- the miserable sufferings of the poor whom holding-these free serfs-these tenantsat-will, whom no will can touch withwith their positive default-these permissive occupations and privileges made strong without statuto against the power dy landlords has no parallel, except what of the makers of the statutes. Nor were these makers of statues mere rude, illiterate barbarians, who allowed these privileges to be wrested from them by ignorance or carelessness. The readers of Froissart and Chauter, the gay chivalry of Edward the Third, the fantastic foppery of Richard the Second, the prosperous and enterprising commerce of our southern towns, the ! .ilders of Westminster Abbey, the more cultivated descendants of the extorters of Magna Charta,these were not the men or the times of which it can be said that they knew not the value of money, that they had no motives of magnificence or luxury for its expenditure, or that they lacked energy to enforce those rights by which the possession of property is made secure and pro-

Oh, that was a great time, in which, by the mere general diffusion of a kindly and christian benevolence among the aristocracy, the sorf became raised into a freeman; the tenant-at-will into a co-partner with his once all-powerful landlord. And if this was the case with the serfs, we need little historical evidence to convince us that the Retlewer is right in saying that the same spirit and the same feelings gave protection to the more independent yeoman. He was a farmer, it is true .-He paid rent. He was liable to distress. There were rights of entry and actions of ejectment in those days as well as in these; and the tenant was lax in the renovation of hedges, the extermination of weeds, and the scattering about of manure. These heinous sins of "slovenly cultivation" were frequent, no doubt; but there were no rack rents. The tenant was treated as a friend, a neighbour, a co-proprietor of

converted the landlord into a huckster, and defend himself from the charge of huckmade him treat his tenants in his bargains sterage only by plending what he is pleased for the land, like an old clothesman treats hand slops. In a word, the aristocracy The aristocracy that now is, is no aristoof that ago secured the respect due to their cracy at all, according to the old nuble mists assure us that all our advances in opulence have been bitter curses to the tible of renovation; if it cannot be restored poor. The highest rate of wages yet after the spirit of the old Catholic aristothe afteenth century! So says Mr. Mal- from bygone centuries may not pass into

But with the change of religionwhether on account of it or no, we do not of society. The old feudal chiefs who their places supplied by a new race, the founders of the Reformation, the robbers of the poor, mere land-hucksters and pedenous, luxurious. The outcries of the preachers of the Reformation against the lawless avarice of their lay associates leaves no doubt as to this point, nor as to their avarice persecuted. The change that then took place in working out the revolution from low-fixed rents and opulent farmers to high rack rents and greewe may find in the records of modern estate clearing in Ireland. It was the self-same act, done in the self-same spirit. The change, however, has been effected; and the evils and miseries of the state of transition have passed away.

But the transition has left behind it and perpetuated it up to our time, a system before unheard of: The landlord is not now the father and head of a numerous, opulent, and happy family, loved by them because he respects their happiness, and finds his wealth in promoting theirs. He is now-many exceptions, thank God, excepted—a tradesman, a chapman, a dealer, a bargainer. He has his goods to sell like another. He has his lawful profits to make like his neighbor, the tinker. He has his legitimate perquisites, like his comrade, the butler. skilful in markets, speculates on times and seasons, rejo ces in the improvements on his estate with an eye to a rise of rent; and when for a time he quits his paternal acres and his hereditary merchandisc, he takes his soat among the legislators of the land with the main purpose of keeping up the value of the commodities in which he deals by pinching the bellies of all other classes in the state.

These are brave times to which we have been brought by Reformation princioles, and the spirit of a narrow commerce pervading every relation in life; and this island a universal temple raised to Mammon, and the accursed fabric is held together by the cramps and buttresses of a false economical philosophy. For it is not the landlords alone-far from it-all classes, like them, have gone astray; commerce has become ignoble, trade a swindle, his landlord; and the desire of hoarding and the whole surface of society infected

change of religion and conversion of the | Serfs, villians, slaves, bondsmen. Even | wealth and making merchandize of the | by this most loathsome leprosy. Are not subjects of his little kingdom, had not yet these brave times, when the landlord can to call the deeper guilt of those to whom his customers in his bargains for second he should be a light and on example? own rights by respecting the habitual im- form and fashion of the institution. It is munities of those beneath them. Hence not a generous and liveral aristocracy, but it is that we find even our political econo- a sordid and peculating one. If it be capuble of amendment; if it be not suscepknown in England is to be looked for in cracy; if the breath of a new life inhaled its huge torpid frame-"behold the axe is laid unto the root of the tree."

For our parts we do most undoubtingly sa j-there came a change over the spirit | believe that such an amendment, such a renovation, such a restoration, such a new were slain in the wars of the Roses had life and a new spirit are to be looked for, and will not to be looked for in vain. If these things were not so, we should indeed despair. There are symptoms abroad of a progress towards a better state; and while we think it our duty to seize overy occasion of enforcing and illustrating the evil, we do not shut our eyes to the possibility and approach of good. The times are evil, but they are not altogether des-

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