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# Current Topics

AT HOME AND ABROAD.

Odds and ends, THE TABLET, then, affects our "Civis" in a contrary kind of way. He says that the TABLET has persistently fulminated against Zola's "Lourdes,' and that, therefore, he has made up his mind, for

his part, to enjoy it thoroughly. The reasoning, we admit, is characteristic of the reasonableness of the reasoner. Nevertheless, the TABLET has not folminated against Zola's "Lourdes." Not having read the book, in fact, we have not given any opinion of our own about it. We have simply quoted the opinions of journalists who had read it, or a portion of it. Last week we gave that, as we said, of an anti-Catholic writer in the New York Tribune, possibly as smart a man as our "Civis" himself. Tastes differ, however. What disgusts others may delight our "Civis," Did we not see, indeed, a little time ago, that his fancy ran in the direction of unexpurgated editions? However exacting our "Civis" may be with regard to what is ordurier, M. Zols, no doubt-as he otherwise gives us to understand-provides for him to perfection. Our "Civis" again, is quite profound with respect to miracles. Whoever may " Mental impression," there he doubt, he knows all about them, says, is the source of the cures. Even M. Zola, he declares, shall not persuade him that works of healing have not thus been done at Lourdes. It is, meantime, just as well that people, even including out "Civis," who sit down to write, should understand what they are going to write about. Our "Civis." for example, tells us that "mental impression," which he maintains has certainly wrought cures at Lourdes, cannot cure, among other things, a broken leg nor consumption. But Lourdes has cured, among other things, a broken leg, that, to wit, of the Belgian, Peter Rudder, and there is medical testimony, besides, to its caring many cases of consumption. Our "Civis," then, in his choice of exceptions, has not been particularly fortunate. He has simply disproved his own assertion that "mental impression" was the cause of the cures at Lourdes, or at any rate, of all of them. Still there is some room to congratulate him. Ho, at least, shows an advance on men of his sort a few years ago, who would have declared that there was no core at all-but tricks and deception only. Beelzebub, said the Jews; trickery, said the oldfashioned Protestant; "mental impression," says the man of the period. Our "Civis," too, would seem to imply that what he pertly calls a "British Lourdes"-that is the king's touching for scrofula —was put an end to by the good sense of King William III. He lays stress on the touching of Charles II and James II, "more Papist," he says, "than the Pope." Had our "Civis" forgotten that Dr Johnson, when a little child, was touched by Queen Anne? "'He had' he said, 'a confused but somewhow a sort of solemn recollection of a lady in diamonds and a long black hood?" The "silly superstition," therefore, and such, in fact it was, outlived King William, and that, moreover, not among those who were "more Papist than the Pope," but true-blue Protestant.

Here, is what the Catholic Times says about the book in question. The criticism, though severe, is much more moderate than what we had found elsewhere :-" The well-advertised work of M. Zola on Lourdes has at length appeared in book form, and as it is published at a moderate price it will have many readers, but few will rise from its perusal with the conviction that the author's moral tone has improved. The book is, in truth, an outrage on Catholic feeling. Through it rans a thread of so-called romance which is in its conception most offensive to Catholic taste. A girl named Marie who was brought up with a boy named Pierre and bad won his affection, goes, when grown up, to the grotto at Lourdes to be cured of a malady she has contracted and to bring back faith to Pierre, who has become a priest, but is filled with doubts as to religious truth. The girl's cure is com pletely effected, but Pierre does not become a believer. The slender plot has not even the merit-if merit it might be called-of artistic development. The main portion of the book is narrative and description, and, as might be expected, M. Zola works up the sensational element with all the powers of his vivid imagination. There is little,

if any positive irreverence, but the whole work is written in a rationalistic, material spirit, and it appears to us that the general idea was borrowed from the author of "Autour d'une Source." M. Zola may attain his object, the production may have a large circulation, but its success must be ephemeral. The author who will write a work upon Lourdes that shall win enduring respect and popularity must have qualifications in which M. Zola seems deficient—sincerity, reverence, and faith."

Pastor Fisher of the American Methodist Church at Rome whose conversion to Catholicism was recently announced here by cable may be considered the first fruits yielded by Protestantism to the Pop'e's late appeal for unity. It was the encyclical in question that led the convert to inquire. The correspondent of the Pilot quotes as follows from a Catholic journal published in Rome:—"This conversion, says a Catholic journal of Rome, is an encouragement for Catholics; they should continue their prayers for the conversion of all who are separated from the Church. It is evident that the cause of such separation is want of thought and examination of the Church's claims; when an American Metholist, who has come to Rome for the purpose of converting the Catholics of that city to Methodism, has the grace given him to become a Catholic, there is certainly no reason to despair of the conversion of any class or number of Protestants.

In the case of the Spanish anarchists striking testimony has been borne to the nature of godless teaching. The criminal tried and convicted for the explosion in the theatre at Barcelona—by which twenty people were killed, described himself as inspired for his undertaking by reading a revolutionary newspaper published in the city and certain philosophical works. Another, a penitent, on the scaffold warned his family against such li era ure, and yet another dencuated it as destructive to society at large. This literature, neverthele-s, is plausible as well as attractive, and to men uninfluenced by reigious principles its evils before they have produced their natural fruits can hardly be apparent. If ever there was a case in which the old saying, "Prevention is better than cure" applied it is that in question. Ourse in this case is hardly possible. Everything, therefore, depends on prevention.

With regard to the fate of political prisoners, also, the new state of things in Italy seems hardly to have brought in an improvement. Under Austrian rule or under that of King Bomba, it may be questioned whether anything worse or even so bad prevailed. The anarchist who lately attempted to assessinate Signor Crispi has been sentenced, for example, to twinty years' solitary confinement. The brutality of this needs no comment. Death, in fact, may well be preferred to madness.

Is this a misreading of a classical phrase? It so, it should have an interest for scholars. We quote our "Civis" as follows. His reference is to the case of a boy who recently died under the treatment of a clairvoyant quack at Auckland:—"A patient (write sour "Civis,") is not going to call in a post mortem examination in order to prove the diagnosis wrong." It, we say again, we have here a new reading of a classical phrase the interest is for scholars. If not, on the contrary, the interest is possibly for dunces. The connection is one in which we are bardly authorised to search for a joke.

The trial of the thirty Anarchists, which began in Paris on Mon day, August 6, (says the Weekly Freeman), were it reported in full! as it will not be, should give one an insight into the forces at work behind the militant Anarchy which has startled Europe during the past few years. The thirty prisoners charged in the indictment with belonging to a companionship the object of which was "the destruction of society, and the means of action theft, pillage, areon, and murder," include some men of remarkable intellectual gif s. Jean Grave, for example, the writer of the notorious work, "La Societe Mourante et l'Anarchie," which earned two years' imprisonment for its author, is a man of wide knowledge and singular eloquence. As editor of the Revolte he has been a leading Anarchist propagandiet. "He instigated," according to the indictment, "the outrage against the Carmaux Company by Emile Henry and the attempted murder by Leauthier. He used his newspaper also for collecting subscriptions with a threefold fobject—revolutionary propagands, assistance for prisoners, and the distribution of phampilets." Another writer and speaker of power is Sebastian Faure, while Paul Reclus is a civil

engineer of ability. The court has very properly, as it seems to us, refused to allow the evidence of these men to be reported in the public Press. But at the same time one cannot help feeling some curiosity as to the moral and mental aberration which has resulted in men of this stamp prostituting their talents to the most abominable of doctrines.

Owing (writes the Rome correspondent of the Cotholic Times) to the fact that we Catholics are so frequently, bon gré, mal'gré, forced to read so many conjectures and theories concerning the holding of a future Conclave, the following information on the subject may prove of interest to our readers. When his Holmess Pope Pius IX, was dying, the Sacred College met to discuss where the election of a new Pontiff would be considered as being most secure and tranquil? The late Cardinal Pietro presided—the members of the Sacred College numbering 38. These voted by rank of age upon the proposition: "Should the Conclave be held in Italy?" Of the thirtyeight members of the Sacred College present, only eight voted for the holding of the Conclave in Italy; the remaining thirty deliberately voted for its being held elsewhere. But before taking any steps in the matter, it was necessary to know first how the resolution would be received by reigning Sovereigns. In conversations with the various Ambassadors accredited to the Holy See it was quickly understood that, generally speaking, most of ithe Governments would not look with favour upon the election of a Pope elsewhere than at Rome. Orispi, the then Minister of the Interior, wishing to prove that Italy was herself quite capable of respecting, and forcing others to respect the Law of Guarantees, which promises absolute security and independence to the Sacred College during the vacancy in the Holy See, declared that if they persisted in the project their Eminences could in all security cross the frontier, but that in the event of their doing so the Italian Government would take immediate possession of the Vatican Palace and all its many dependencies. The Cardinals decided at a second meeting, by a majority of thirty-two voices against six, that the Conclave should be held at Rome.

The Rome correspondent of the Pilot writes as follows:—"The recent Apostolic Letter of the Holy Father, in which he made appeal to those outside of the Church to return to the fold of unity is, it is reported from the East, likely to have a powerful influence on minds well disposed to induce to return to the Catholic Church. Especially amongst the Bulgarians and Servians is that tendency becoming manifest. These are greatly touched by the conciliatory attitude of the Papacy in their regard. The recognition of the Slav liturgy for Montenegro has increased there the current of sympathy towards Rome. The people regard these acts of the Holy Father as marks of favour."

Even a secular paper sometimes catches a glimpse of things as they are in truth. Take the following, for example, from a London weekly—we quote from memory:—"'I have lived sixty years in this world, and have never been able to see the difference between Protestantism and Catholicism." 'Faith, you'll not live sixty seconds in the next before you see it."

So varying of late (says the Weekly Freeman) have been the rumours regarding Pope Leo XIII's health that it is highly satisfactory to learn on the excellent authority of the Rome correspondent of the Berliner Tageblatt that his Holiness enjoys unusually good strength and spirits. The Holy Father's physician declares that the Pope is as tough as ever he was-he can even be called robust. For instance, his Holiness takes pleasure in lifting down from the bookshelves with his own hands and laving on his reading-deak heavy folios of St Jerome, weighing at least between ten and twelve pounds. "When it is stated categorically that the Pope's legs are losing their power and that he has to be carried in his sedan-chair, I can simply say in reply that Leo XIII, when he desires to go into the gardens, makes use, like every Pope, of a sedan-chair which stands in the auteroom. In the chair he is conveyed to the carriage, in which he rides to his summer-house." The Pope daily walks, of en for hours, in the Park, leaning on a small stick, and waks with a better and less fatigued step than his attendants. "N.y." said the doctor jestingly, "be is even capable of wearying his Noble Guard." On in average the Pope is daily walking or standing, with intervals, during a space of four or five hours. A very short time age he administered Holy Communion without any effort to 30 persons. To this excellent condition of body corresponds that of his mind. His intellectual facultier, especially his memory, are of astounding fre-hness. It is a'so well known that the Holy Father, in spite of his gita age, reads even small print without glasses.

"Irishman" has sent us a number of the Lyttelton Times, containing a review, quoted from the St James's Hudget, of a book recently published by one Mr T. C. Arthur, a police official, of thirty-five years' standing, in India. Our correspondent requests that we should comment on a paragraph in this review which he has marked. It rans thus:—"In land disputes in India such an atrocity as shooting at, or in any way molesting a woman has yet to be recorded. It has been reserved for 'the foinest pisantry in the wurrld' to earn an infamous distinction for their ingenuity and persistent cruelty in harasing, maining, and even murdering defenceless females." But

what are we to comment on? The fact, for example, that a man who has been a police officer in India for thirty-five years displays the imagination and pen of a rufflan? Consider the effects of a long familiarity with every form of Eastern filth and depravity. Consider the constant of the der, too, the character of the "mean white"-necessarily that of a man in the writer's position. Besides, if there is any man in the world whom the bare thought of Home Rule may be excusably permitted to throw into a tantrum it is the Indian official. Or shall we comment on the fact that the St James's Budget had chosen this paragraph for quotation. But the St James's Budget represents a cause that needs for its support all the intamy that foul minds can invent with respect to Ireland. Toryism tries, but vainly tries, to prolong its life on such garbage, and excuse must be made for its desperation. There remains only the Lyttelton Times, who has also reproduced the paragraph. Is it a case, then, in which the Liberalism of the period gives a sly vent to the bigotry by which it is often accompanied? It seems hard otherwise to account for the reproduction by our contemporary, of such a gross and shameful calumny.

Father Gasquet, O.S.B, in the Dublin Review for July; goes very far towards stripping Wyclif of the credit given him as a translator of the Bible, and altogether disproves the charge brought against the medieval Church of discountenancing the reading of Holy Writ. Father Gasquet argues that up to the time of Wyclif French. and Latin were understood by all Englishmen who could read at all and that a vernacular version of the Scriptures was not, therefore necessary in England. We may add, for our own part, that in this the learned writer is borne out by even so anti-Catholic an authority as, for instance, Professor Thorold Rodgers, that the diaries of the medieval farm-bailiffs, which abound, and which he takes also as proving a far wider range of education than that generally supposed are written in Latin. Nevertheless, an Anglo-Saxon version of the Gospels had been in existence before the twelfth century in which it is mentioned as having been copied. In the France and Germany of the Middle Ages, vernacular versions were, respectively, numerous. Once more the fable as to Luther's accidental discovery of a Bible is exposed. The Reformer's own version, indeed, seems to have been largely borrowed by bim from a Catholic source, decree of the Council of Oxford in 1408, which is relied on as proving the probibition of the Church against translation, it merely forbids, as dangerous owing to a probability of mistakes in translating, that such be done, or the book, booklet, or tract translated be read, until the approval and allowance of the diocesan of the place or (if need be) the Provincial Council have been obtained Father Gasquet, in short, completely refutes the old charge as to the bostility of the Medieval Church to Bible-reading. He concludes also that the versions of the sacred scriptures edited by Messrs Forshall and Madden, and commonly known as Wycliffite, are in reality the Catholic versions of our pre-Reformation fathers.

Our contemporary, the Triad, for the current month, shows a slight melancholy—a tendency towards Pessimism. It aspires to summon from the vasty deep the spirits of Schopenhauer, Rousseau, and Lord Byron-to deal with the woman of the period as she deserves. We admit that our contemporary shows a discreet modesty in not personally at'empting the task-possibly remembering, and let us hope in time, to whom revenge is especially sweet. But what " O dear, is this? Surely our "Principla" has betrayed us I says our contemporary, " is equivalent to the Latin 'O dio mio' (Oh, my God)." In a sketch quoted by our contemporary, we are told, amongst other things that there is a close resemblance" in all save terminology between Theosophy and Pauline doctrine." No doubtthat is, for those who wrest the doctrine in question to their own destruction. And who, in fact, was ever more "unstable" than Mrs Besant, to whom allosion is made? The Triad contains a well executed portrait of Madame Bell Cole, and in its musical supplement gives two songs by Mendelssohn. It is an excellent number.

Here is a pos'cript for our "Civis." We take it from the Brooklyn Catholic Review of August 18 :- " Dr Boissarie, a French M.D., has published what he calls the Medical History of Lourdes, It is not an account of all the wonderful cures which have taken place, and still take place, at Lourdes, but the medical opinion passed on them, and the principles which guide the doctors in these ex'raordinary cases. This bistory of the Lourdes events is chronicled in the Annales de Lourdes; they are written in the presence of a number of medical men, of all stades of opinion; there is not much . The first cures field for the writer's flights of imagination. . . which trok place were known quickly enough all over the country. As usual the popular rumours had exaggerated some things, misrepresented others; when the first enthusiasm had fallen off, the Bishop of Tarbes commissioned Dr Vergez, a man of the highest reputation in the medical world, to examine the principal cases. The result was published; much contradiction, much controversy ensued; no fact could be denied though. Three years were allowed to elapse, and the medical world had had time for a calm scruticy. A new investigation was held upon the same facts; no change in the result, and only then a decision was given. The doctors classified the cures under three categories: (1) Cases which contained only a probability of miracle; (2) Cases which, though surprising, might yet by

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some means be accounted for by a natural agency; (3) Cases which without any contestation were above the power of nature. Dr Buchanan, Professor of the Glasgow University, laid down later on in The Lancet similar principles and specified the cases. According to him, many cures may be attributed to the great confidence with which the sufferers came to Lourdes: a large field of operation may be left to faith, imagination, nerves, etc, but where there is sudden, complete and lasting cure of cases of broken limbs, of organic lesion, the agency at work is greater than the power of nature. Medical science has thus been the means of ascertaining for men that there are still supernatural eff cts in the world in this our 19 h century. Some have been alraid to approach the question, would not even sit on a board of examiners, would not see the patients, but could not deny the principles laid down, nor the facts to which they were applied.

A case in Napier which has resulted in the conviction of the accessed and his sentence to seven years' penal servitude-his advanced age saving him from the cat-has created great disgust and some alarm in the neighbourhood. Judge Bichmon?, who tried the case, in his charge to the Grand Jury made some strong remarks, qualified in a degree by the necessity of not prejudicing the case, but which after the conviction of the prisoner, take their full force, he was to assume the truth of the depositions," he said, "then they simply showed a moral rottenness amongs: the people of this town. He was not going to attempt to fathom the causes of such a condition of things. He was not going to say whether the blame lay with the Church, the State, the sc oel, or the home. He was not going to pretend to decide whether such immoral tendencies were inherited from other times and other countries, but no man with any proper feeling could fail to say that when such a state of affairs existed they were on the downward road, . . . He was not assuming the truth of everything in the depositions, but they disclosed all the same great juvenile depravity, and a state of things amongst their young people which was positively awful." The conviction of the prisoner, which proves the truth of the depositions we say

gather from it that the subject has been treated with contempt. Meantime, the receipt from the Rov Eugene O'Growney, of the three last numbers of the Gaelic Journal reminds us that we should renew the theme. The periodical is one, it strikes us, which only to see must excite in the heart of every true I ishman a desire to master its contents. Here he has the gedius of his people interpreted, as alone it con perfectly be, in their own native tongue. In so other can be find the freshoese, the narveté. and withal the sparkling brightness, of Lish thought and wit so fully expressed. The Journal contains selections well adapted to prove this-and easy lessens, besides, to teach those who would understand the language. What, then, is to hinder its wide circulation among Irish settlers in New Zealand. A study of it might beguile the tediousness of many a long evening in lonely places-and recall to many the haunts and habits of long ago. The subscription is a triflemerely six shillings a year. Does not Professor O'Growney who is struggling so valiantly to keep alive the old tongue, and to whose sole enterprise is due the publication of this periodical-the only one in Ireland deveted to the study of the National language and literature, deserve so much support? Come, then-let us see some stir in the right direction. The study of a language is a most useful exercise for the intellect-and that the Irish language is worthy of study, many capable judges-among them several foreign savans-testify. If our readers have forgotten what we said to them before-let them now at least remember.

### TAURANGA.

(From an occasional Correspondent )

September 7, 1894.

THERE may be many readers of the TABLET who would like to read the Catholic news of the above town-the place the late Father Mahoney has said ought to be called the priest's sanatorium, and again, gives full force to his Honour's words. What then is to which his Lordship, Bishop Luck, said it always gives him great

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Our readers, we trust, have not forgotten the few words we have from time to time, spoken to them with regard to the revival of the Irish language new being attempted. We had hoped that something more would come of the matter, and that it would be taken up with cordiality. A letter written to us by the Very Rev Father O'L ary, of Lawrence, moreover, gave us additional hope, well calculated as it seemed to support our efforts with a more powerful touch. Silence, nevertheless, remains unbroken. We are, however, unwilling to

pleasure to visit on account of the associations connected with dear old Father Mahoney. It may not be too late to state that the present beautiful church was erected entirely by the efforts of the late Father Mahoney, who left it free from debt, and on its completion was promoted to the office of vicar-general, and had to leave his dearly beloved parish and flock, where he was succeeded by Father Gillan. Though the church was completed six years ago, the present commodious presbytery was not built until 1890, when the Rev Father Gilsenan had the old chapel converted into two spacious dwelling rooms, and added to the presbytery, funds for which were raised by means of an art union and bazaar. He, however, did not long personally enjoy the fruits of his labours as he shortly after left for Australia The parish was then left for some time subject only to monthly visits by the Apot.ki parish priest, the priest of Matata being easiest available in case of sick calls. However, in December, the priest of Te Aroha (who had charge of that parish for eight years) was removed to Tauranga, from where he has also to visit Te Puke once a month. It was not until his taking charge here that a church committe was formed for the present church, though some years ago there was a committee elected for the old church, but which had long been defunct. For the last few months Vespers have been again sung in the evening after a lapse of many years. Though not long in the parish, the present priest has celebrated one marriage, had to attend at three funerals, and baptised 3 or 4 infants. Besides preaching on the Gospel of the day in the morning, he has preached a course of sermons in the evening, beginning with the seven Sacraments following with the Commandments of Gid, and is now treating of the Preceps of the Church, in a manner which a little child might

In the neighbouring parish of Opotiko an art union is to be held shortly, for the purpose of paying off the debt on the church and painting the building. Ticket blocks are to be sent in this month, and the drawing takes place as soon as possible afterwards.

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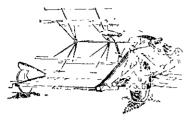
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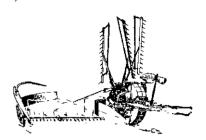
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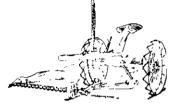
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### MR REDMOND'S "DEADLY APATHY."

(Sydney Freeman's Journal)

WE do not admit, indeed, the apathy, except as there is a natural cause for what may look like it in the general bardoess of the times, But if there is any cause beyond this for the falling off in the American and Australian contributions to the Irish National funds, then undoubtedly it is to be found in the senseless division in the ranks of the Irish par y k-pt open by the Redmondites. Other division, whatever differences there may be in the party, there has never been any, and unfortunately, with the fatality which seems to work against Ireland in this way, it has always been more marked just when it must do most baim. Thus it is extremely unfor unate that an appeal from the main body of the Irish party for funds should be at once followed by another from this small section of it, denouncing their methods, their action or inaction, if not virtually casting a doubt on their loyalty to the Irish cause. There can be no more question of the loyalty of the party than of the urgency of the appeal, and just as little that the one hope of success for the Irish cause is to be found in the methods declared by the Redmondites so hopelessly to have failed. But if there is any apathy or tendency to apathy on the matter amongst those appealed to, it is clearly not likely to be removed by such an exhibition of hopeless division between the appellants, in a cause requiring, if ever cause did on this earth, in its supporters the strongest concert and most absolute unity. This is really the hopeless part of the business, the inevitable recurrence in every Irish movement of such division, not in the least, we believe, that in the hands of the Irish Parliamentary party the present movement has failed or is going to fail. But that the continuance of the division must enormously increase the movement's difficulties is very clear, and if Mr John Redmond is anxious to see removed as one of them the "deadly apathy" he so much deplores of Australia and America in the matter, he will himself first, whatever its motive, bring to an end his own still more deadly activitv.

(Melbourne Advocate)

As for Irish-Australians, if there were any truth in the charge Mr Redmond has brought against them he should have been the last man to make it, for, next to Mr Parnell, it was he who did most to discourage them. His defection and that of his followers did more to cast them down than anything that has occurred in the House of Commons or the House of Lords. Their treachery has at home and abroad inflicted greater injury on the national cause than anything ts open enemics have accomplished, and as we cannot believe that her brother.

he is unconscious of that fact, we cannot avoid regarding the imputation he has cast on Irishmen abroad as a proof that he is rising rapidly in his bids for Tory favours. Nothing could please Lord Salisbury and his followers more than an assurance that the Irish abroad are falling away from their countrymen at home on the Home Bule question, and with that assurance Mr John E. Redmond has delighted them. As they would be willing to purchase at high price a desertion of the kind, Mr Redmond was no fool if it occurred to bim that anyone who brought them news to hat eff ct would so earn more than empty gratitude at their hands. But the reward would bave been obtained on false pretences. Leaving the Irishmen of the United States to speak for themselves, we can assure our friends in the old land that nothing but the deep and unprecedented depression which prevails here prevents Irish-Australians from contributing to the national cause. No one who knows how fortunes have disappeared here, how wages and incomes of all kinds have been reduced, how sorely six ted thousands are by actual want, und how great a drain their condition is upon those who have succeeded in saving anything from the wreck, could be surprised that no money is going home for national purposes from Aus ralia and to Mr Redmond these facts must be as well known as they are to anyone else. Consequently, it would be scarcely possible to stigmatise his imputation in terms too severe.

### MISSING FRIENDS.

CONNOLLY, Henry R., left County Tyrone in 1883; last heard of from Torrens Creek, Townsville, Queensland, in 1886; sought for by his brother.

Conway, Patrick, of Coogue, Aghamore, Ballyhannis, County Mayo; emigrated to Aus ralia from Manchester three or four years ago; was employed uniar E. Ksane, E.q., Milland Railroad Contractor, Geralton, West Australia; supposed to have left for New Zualand; sought for by his father.

Flynn, James, of County Kilkenny, last heard of at Gol Gol Township, Siver Murray, New South Wales; sought for by his sister.

Hawe, Patrick, of Callan, County Kukenny, left same for Australia in 1850; sought for by his cousin.

Hite, John, late 73rd Regiment, left Cape town in March, 1892; not heard of since November 1892; sought for by his wife.

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Mullaby, Jane, J., and Anne; left Dunsandle, County Galway, thirty years ago; last heard of in Sydney, Australia; sought for by their brother.

Ryan, John Ruth, of Cappamore, County Limerick; left for Sydney 30 years ago; last heard of in Ballarat 14 years ago; sought for by his mother.

White, James, of Dublic, last heard of working in the Bush, near Warwick, Australia, in 1878; sought for by his sisters.

Replies to the above to be addressed to the office of the Freeman's Journal, Dublin,

Moran, John, and his wife, nee Bohan, left for New Zealand, their native place, Aughnasheelin, Ballinamore, County Leitrim, Ireland, close on forty years ago; sought for by a near relative. Reply to N.Z. TABLET office.

Sheehy, Thomas, late of the city of Cork. Reply to the N.Z. TABLET office.

Mrs Patrick J. Ryan, Kanieri, Hokitika, replies to the inquiry for Bridget Jardan.

### HAWERA.

(From an occasional Correspondent,)

September 17th, 1894.

A BATHER sudden death occurred at St Joseph's Presbytery on the 10th inst. It would appear that the deceased, Mrs J. O'Sullivan, of Hastings Boad, was en route to Australia in company with some friends. She assisted at Vespers and Benediction on Sunday (9th), and called on the Rev Father Mulvibill afterwards. During conversation she took ill. Medical aid was at once secured, but proved of no avail. The good soul lingered from 9 30 p.m. on Sunday, till 12 20 p.m. on Monday. Her husband and bereaved children have the sympathy of a large circle of friends. May she rest in peace. A very near relation of hers (Father Coleman) is, I understand, a member of the Passionist Order in Australia. She has also two or three brothers among the Christian Brothers on the other side.

The Very Rev Father Hanley opened what promises to be a most successful mission, in St Joseph's church, on Sunday last. The church was crowded at the two Masses and at Vespers. It seems that Rev Father Lynch is giving a mission at Waitotars, and cannot join his confrere at Hawers till the end of this week. The good Fathers have consented not only to treat Hawers as a large centre by remaining a fortnight but have agreed to accompany Father Mulvihill to Manaia, Opunake, and Eltham. It is wonderful what the spiritual sons of St Vincent are prepared to do. There is no church at Opunake or Eltham-and, of course, there is a presbytery in neither place. Yet the good Fathers are prepared to go to preach Christ and Him crucified. May they receive their reward.

### DUNEDIN CATHOLIC LITERARY SOCIETY.

THE usual weekly meeting of the above Society was held in their rooms on Wednesday, the 19th inst, the rev president taking the chair.

A number of books comprising volumes from several standard authors were generously presented to the Society by Mr Blanchfield. Mr J. Hally proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded Mr Blanchfield for his donation, which would be a valuable acquisition to the Society's library. Messrs Griffen, Petre, and Father Lynch supported the motion which was carried by acclamation.

Mr J. Drumm read a paper on "John Boyle O'Reilly." Hegave an outline of the life and works of this great Irishman, who was born at Drogheda on June 28 h, 1844. He joined the army at the age of nineteen, and while in it was implicated in the Fenian movement and transported to Australia, whence, after great hardships he escaped to America, where he devoted himself to a literary career and to helping on the Irish cause. While in America his noble and generous nature endeared him to everyone he came in contact with, and his death, which was caused by taking poison in mistake for a sleeping draught, was universally lamented. Mr Drumm read pieces from a number of his poems which, he said, would show better than any words of his the depth of feeling and the true nature of this patriotic Irishman.

The next item was a very interesting paper by Mr J. Hally, entitled "Manners and customs." It was remarkable for its clearness of composition and originality of ideas, and was interspersed with apt quotations which gave evidence of extensive reading.

A vote of thanks to these two gentlemen was proposed by Mr J. Marlow and seconded by Mr F. W. Petre. Mesers Mooney, Cantwell, J. McCormack, Waters, Griffen, H. McCormack, Hussey, and Hesford also spoke, and the motion was carried,

Mr Gladstone's letter to Mr George Bussell. M.P., on the death of Lord Charles Russell, is a most pathetic piece of literature:—" My dear Russell.—I have seen with the eyes of others in newspapers of this afternoon the account of the death - shall I say?—or of the ingathering of your father. And of what he was to you as a father I can reasonably, if remotely, conceive from knowing what he was in the outer circles as a firm, true, loyal friend. He has done and will do no dishonour to the name of Russell. It is a higher matter to know at a supreme moment like this that he had placed his treasure where dependence never fails. May he enjoy the rest, light, and peace of the just until you are permitted to rejoin him! With growing years you will feel more and more that here everything is but a rent, and that it is death alone which integrates. On Monday I hope to go to Pitlochry, N.B., and in a little while after to return southwards, and resume, if it please God, the great gift of working vision.—Always and sincerely yours, W. E. Gladstone." No wonder that the man who writes so, was the friend of Manning, Manning who himself told us that our life here is separated from the life to come but by a veil which grows thinner and thinner as year follows year, till at last we cease to marvel that it should vanish wholly. Already it looks as if to Gladstone its opaqueness were growing transparent from the light beyond,—Ediphorch Catholic Herald. Mr Gladstone's letter to Mr George Bussell, M.P., on the death its opaqueness were growing transparent from the light beyond, Edinburgh Catholic Herald.

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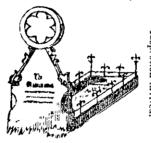
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The young man was endowed with physical attractive adventages, handsome, gracious, gentlemanly in his manners; but unfortunately, he was vain, egotistical, very ignorant, and very insubmissive. It was even this disobedience which had brought one so young to the tomb. The Prior was told that on returning from a fishing party, Luitpoid had caught cold.

The most celebrated doctors of Vienna, summoned in all haste, had tranquillised the parents on the issue of the malady, in recommending, however, the young count to keep from the evening air for some days.

In spite of the advice of the learned faculty, the stude t had stolen out on the following night, before midnight, to run to the forest, a game-keeper having assured ham that the mountain cock would utter his mysterious crow. And, indeed, the great grouse had made his appearance-an unusual thing in September. Luitpold had heard the fantastic note, and saw shining in the clear moonlight the sumptuous plumage; but Luitpold returned to the chateau shivering, and eight bours afterwards wee no more. The chronicle of the seigneurial village thus narrated it. "Our poor young count," groaned the peasants, during his agony, "in his delirium he spoke but of the heath cocks, the roebucks, the stags and the bezelbens, Alas! it is not for him to return to his forests. It is not his rifle that will bring down the great grouse, the bird of misfortune,"

Before pronouncing the funeral services the Prior inquired about the last moments of the deceased. "Had he received the last Sacraments?

"Certainly, rev sir," answered the bailiff, the manager of the goods of the noble house. "Madame, the Countess, has not forgotten this point of perfect propriety."

But the chamberlain acknowledged, very low, "that the priest had not been called to the bedeide of the dying but a quarter of an hour before the death, and if the young master had received the Holy Communion, said he in a still lower voice, " he could not have received it but a few moments before his entry into eternity.

"And did he at least know that he was going to was going to die!" questioned the Prior of the young man. "No, rev sir; Madame, the Countess, has not allowed it to be mentioned to him, She herself told the Cure of the village, sent for at the last moment. that Mr Luitpold, student at the abbey of 8 --- , was very pious; lit will be enough to insinuate to him delicately, added she, that it would be well for him to confess and communicate, the desire of his mother being, that he take part, after to-morrow, in a coursing match, in the open country of the countal demesne." "Especially," said the chamberlain, with much repetition, " Madame, the Countess had not forgotten to speak in the sense indicated, 'lest my son should be frightened.' "

"Alas! Alas! Alas!" grouned the religious, who listened

with attention.

" For the peasant and the game-keepers "continued the chamberlain, "the death of the young master will be a loss,"

"Howfis that?" demaded the Prior, desirous of collecting information for his discourse.

"Well, rev fathee, the deceased showed himself liberal in the parties of pleasure. The count freely gave some florins; he recompensed the guard who pointed out a nest of songsters, or a covey of patridges, and he did not forget to give a gratification to him who brought either butterflies for his collection, or plants for his herbary, or a nightingale for his aviary. Yes! my master always rewarded little services!"

The Prior profited by information drawn fram so sure a source, In the funeral aration, he dwelt at length on the sorrow of the parents, he spoke of the instincts of ben-ficence, of the flower of generosity budding in the heart of the son that they lamented, which generosity, well cultivated, would, later, be changed into the beautiful fruits of charity, and so forth.

The Superior of the abbey then returned to his cell in the evening, and he thought of the munificence displayed at the funeral of the young count, and also a little of the funeral oration delivered.

Surely! it was not too bad, thought he to himself, with a secret complaisance. I have acquitted myself of it; it was, however, difficult, with such scant material.

But perceiving this vapour of vanity arising he hastened to check it, and he sighed profoundly. A vague sadness overwhelmed his beart. Even during the divine service, he had felt the same sadness, and now, behold it came to oppress him again.

Suddenly terrible thoughts about the eternal destiny of Luitpold barrassed nis spirit. Where is that soul? the Prior asked himself with anguish. O Lord, have pity, have for it! And, pressed down under a stroke of undefinable inquietude, the abbe, forgetting to take the rest he stood so much in need of, went on his knees, and commenced to say the Rosary. At that moment a rap was heard on the door of his cell. A rap, sharp and rude.

(To be concluded)

### TIMARU ALOYSIAN SOCIETY.

(From an occasional Correspondent )

THE entertainment given by the Aloysian Society, Wednesday, the 12th just., was very well patronised, the fairly well filled with an appreciative audience. The first part of the programme was entrusted to an amateur minetrel troupe and consisted of well-selected negro melodies, sentimental and comic songs with the usual commundrums and jokes etc., worked in between. The corner men, Messra C. Niall and D. Griffen were very good, especially the latter who seemed to have no difficulty in setting the audience in a roar when he wished. Solos were given by Messrs C. Niall, J. McK-nna, D. Griffen, H Coghtan and R. Quinn, the items, 'Kingdom Come," by C. Niall, and "Kiss me and I'll go to sleep" by R. Quinn being specially good. Mr H. Coghlan was fairly good as interlocutor, while Mr J. Dyson at the piano was quite a host in himself. After an overture played in a masterly s yle by Miss E. McGuinness the second part of the programme commenced with the old English song "The Vicar of Bray," sung by Mr M. F. Dennehy, and was followed by a stump lecture on Sound by Professor Sumptions (Mr J. P. McGowan) who succeeded in amusing the audience with his comicaities. Mr J. McKenna had to respond to an encore in " Home boys Home" and in reply rendered 'I'm off to Philadelphia in the morning "in very good style. Mr D. Griffen gave a comic recitation and earned a well deserved encore, Master Doyle sang "Come back to Brin,' sweetly, and Mr C. Niall was very successful in "Nancy Lee," Erin, sweetly, and Mr C. Niall was very successful in Tradey 2008.

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The germ of the evening The latter singer possesses a deep base voice or good quality and should develop into a first rate vocalist. The gem of the evening was given at the conclusion by Mas er Dick singing "The Irish Stew," in a very comic style, the audience insisting on a reappearance. The rev president, Father Tubman, thanked the audience for their should develop patronage at the conclusion of the entertainment.

Misses E. McGuinness and Mr J. Dyson played the accompani-

ments during the second part with their usual ability.

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# Commercial.

A. TODD, on behalf of THE NEW ZEALAND LOAN AND MERCANTILE AGENCY Co., LIMITED, report for week ending September 26, as follows :-

-There are numerous enquiries for these, more especially for well grown, moderately fair conditioned lots, but surplies of such are not in the meantime, at any rate, showing up very freely, A very good demand exists for mixed sorts and all offering meet with a good sale at very full prices.

Store Sheep—There are no transactions of any very great importance transpiring in these. Good crossbred hoggets are in fair demand and a good many small lots of these are changing hands, a

few crossbred wethers, also mixed crossbred wethers and ewes are occasionally in the market andare readily placed.

Country Sales—We held our monthly sale by auction at Clinton on Thursday, the 20th inst., when under the influence of good weather we had a very full attendance of both farmers and dealers, most of them being prepared to do business. The day's operations were confined to dealing in sheep only, of which a very fair entry was presented, and under very good competition nearly the whole were disposed of as follows:—153 crossbred wethers at 13s 6d to 18s 6d; do do at 10s 9d to 13s; 90 crossbred wethers and ewes at 11s 21; 45 crossbred hoggets 11s 21; 200 do do at 10s; 419 do do at 9s 11d;

45 crossored noggets its 21, 250 do do at 103, 110 do do at 03 lb 31, 153 do do at 93 91, and 28 do do at 98 8d.

Wool—Cablegrams to band since the opening of the sales at Home do not so far report any improvement in prices, at the same time opening rates remain firm with good competition for b st wool.

Sheepskins—A very s'eady demand exists for these and all avail-

Sheepskins—A very steady demand exists for these and all available are being taken up. The supply at Tuesday's auction at the Chamber of Commerce Hall, Crawloid street, was up to the average, the attendance was also good. Country dry skins, inferior to medium crossbreds, 1s 61 to 2s 101; do merino, 1s 3d to 1s 10d; medium to good crossbreds, 3s to 4s 6d; extra heavy, 4s 9i to 6s 3i; good to best merino, 2s to 3s 2d; extra heavy, 3s 4i to 3s 10d; dry p lts, 21 to 1s 2d; best green crossbreds, 5s 3d to 5s 6f; extra heavy a shade more; medium to good, 3s 10d to 5s; green merinos, 2s 21 to 2s 6d. Rabbitskins—For this week's sele on Monday we submitted a mediumal catalogue when we had the usual attendance of burgers.

moderate catalogue, when we had the usual attendance of buyers Prime winter doer, 1) [4 to 1a; extra well-furred, clean, and bright, 

Tallow and Fat—Varket unchanged. Best rendered mutton,, 18s 6d to 20s; medium to good; 15s 6d to 17s 61; inferior to medium 12s 61 to 15s; b st caul fat, 12s 91 to 13s; medium to go d, 11s 61

123 61 to 153; b st caulfat, 128 91 to 13; medium to go d, 11, 61 to 124 93; interior to medium, 103 to 113 per cwt.

Wheat—There is practically nothing new to report concerning this cereal with respect to the demand for local consemption.

Millers seem to have a very fair supply on hand, and are consequently n infferent about buying any other than the best velvet, which seems to be the only sort claiming any attention in milling quality, and any offering is readily placed at up to quota iors. Quotations: For best milling velvet, 23 10d to 24 11d; good to best do and best Tuscan, 24 94 to 24 101; good to best red wheat, 28 81 to 28 9d; medium, 28 6d to 28 7d; inferior to medium, 28 31 to 23 6d; broken, 18 93 to 23 21 (ex store, sacks weighed in, terms).

Oats—The demand lately hinged very much on the prospect of obtaining suitable tonnage, and it is still the same, whenever reasonable freights are procurable business eventuates, but at the same time buyers are not prepared to operate at any advance on quotations of the past two weeks. We quote: Prime milling, stout and bright, 18 51 to 18 5½ 1; best short, bright feed, 18 4½ 1 to 18 4½d; medium, 18 3d to 18 4d; inferior and musty. 18 to 18 2½d; bracks oats, 18 5d to 18 5½ 1 (ex store, sacks extra, net).

Barley—There is no business of any consequence passing in this, greatering and services are metally nominal same for

There is no business of any consequence passing in this, Barleyquotations, under the circumstances, are merely nominal, say for best malting, 3s 6d to 3s 9d; extra prime, 4s; medium to good, 3s to 3s 3d; milling, 2s 31 to 2s 91; feed, 1s 8d to 2s (ex store, sacks

extra).

Grass Steds—A moderately fair demand exists for prime old pasture. Quotations for best dressed perennial, 3s 6d to 3s 91; choice, 4s to 4s 6d; medium to good, 2s 9d to 3s 3d (ex store, sacks extra, net.) Cocksfoot seed is moving off in small parcels at late Say for best dressed, 61 to 61d; medium to good, 51 to 54d

per 1b.
Chaff—Full supply. Best only fetching L2 10s to L2 12s 6d;
extra prime, L2 15s; medium to good, L2 2s 6d to L2 7s 6d;
inferior, L1 12s 6d to L2, per ton (ex truck, sacks extra, net.)
Potatoes—Consignments continue to come to hand in excess of
requirements. Quotations for prime northern derwents, 32s 6d to
37s 6d; medium, 25s to 30s, per ton (ex store, sacks weighed in,

Dairy Produce - Market unchanged. Quotations for best dairy made salt butter, 7d to 8d; medium, 41 to 51; factory made, 1s to 1s 1d per 1b Factory made cheese, small demand, medium size, slow sile at 4½1 to 4¼d; loaf shape, 4¼1 to 5d; dairy made, 2d to

3½1 per 1b.
Flax—At the moment there is no business to speak of being done, quotations therefore are m rely nominal, say for medium to good, L13 10s to L14 10s; inferior to medium, L10 to L12 per ton

( x store )

STRONACH BROS AND MORRIS report for week ending 25 h Sept. as

Fat Cattle-141 yarded. Bullocks, L7 10s to L12 10s; cows and beifers, L6 to L9 2 + 61.

berfers, L6 to L9 2 : 61.

Fat Sheep - 2381 submitted, including 500 merinos. Good cross-bred wethers 134 to 153; extra heavy do, 12s 61 to 19s 91; best 7

Pigs-123 penred, good competition. Baconers, 40s to 53s: porkers, 224 6d to 39s; slips and stores, 8s to 21s.

Sheepskins.—We dispose i of a large catalogue to day, comprising

Sheepskins—We dispose to f a large catalogue to day, comprising all sorts. Best dry crosbreds, to 6½d; merinos to 4½t per lb; green ½ crosbreds to 5s 6d eac).

Rabbit-kins—The market shows a hardening tendency, which, we must confise, is not warranted by reports of London sales. On Monday we sold prime winter does at 13d; do mixed, 1s; do black and fawn, 1s 0½d per lb.

Wool—To-day's cables advise that all good crossbreds show an advance of ½t per lb on July rates. White scoured wholes are selling well.

-Unchanged, best velvet, 2s 10d to 2s 11d.

Oats—Prime milling, 185d to 185d; best feed, 184d to 184d. Barley—A few inquiries for seed parcels. Best, say, 3891 to 4. Potatoes—Market very quiet. Best Derwents, 328 61 to 378 61 per ton. roll

Ryegrass-Dressed perennial to 4s 6d. Cocksfoot-Firm at 611 for best.

MESSRS DONALD REID AND Co. report as follows :-

Babbitskius-Prime winters, 101 to 131; early winters, 71 to Rabbitskins—Frime winters, 101 to 131; early winters, 71 to 93d; autumn, 5½1 to 8½d; suckers and half-grown, 2½1 to 4d; black and fawn, 51 to 12½!.

Hides—Frime heavy bides (over 60 lbs) 2¼1 to 31; medium, 1¾1 to 21; inferior and light, 1d to 1½1 per 1b.

Tallow—Frime rendered, 185 61 to 20s; medium, 15s 6J to 18s; inferior 12; 64 to 15; rength far, 10s to 13; 64

inferior, 13s 6 t to 15s; rough far, 10s to 13s 6; Wheat—Prime milling velvet; 2:101 to 2s 11d; good milling, 2s 9 t to 2: 101; medium, 2s 7d to 2:81; fowl feed, 2s 41 to 2s 6jd (sacks in).

(sacks in).
Oats—Bright milling, 1s 51 to 1s 5\frac{1}{2}d; medium to good feed,
1s 4\frac{1}{2}t \tau 1s 4\frac{1}{2}d; inferior and musty, 1s 2\frac{1}{2}t \tau 1s 3\frac{1}{2}d \tau (sacks extrs).

Barley—Best malting, 3s 6\frac{1}{2}t \tau 3s 10\d; medium, 3s to 3\cdot 5\d;
milling, 2s 3\frac{1}{2}t \tau 2s 10\d; feed, 1s 6\tau to 2s (sacks extrs.

Potatoes—Best derwents, LI 12s 6\frac{1}{2}t \tau LI 15s; medium, LI 7s
6\tau to LI 10s; kidneys, LI 10s to L2 10s (sacks in).

Chaff—Bright oat-sheaf, L2 12s 6\tau to L2 15s; medium, L2 to
L2 10s; straw and inferior, LI 5s to LI 10s (sacks extra).

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MESSES. WRIGHT, STEPHENSON AND Co. report as follows:-There was again a very small entry of horses, and the business was confined to the sale of a few hacks and spring cart horses, for which, considering the entry, there was a fair demand. Draught

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WELLINGTON STOCK, HORSE, AND PRODUCE MARKET. A. G. TAINE, and Co. report on the markets for the week ending September 21:-

Fat Sheep-No alteration since last week, and the price has been a little easier, owing to holders accepting late favourable rates rather than shear. Prime wethers have sold up to 17s 61; good, 14s to 16s; light, no quotation. Fat ewes, some very good lines have changed hands at 14s 6d.

Store Sheep--Still good demand for wethers, but few offering. Sales have not been of any importance. Good fresh stores all saleable from 11s 6d to 12s 6d; young ewes in lamb, 10s to 11s; F. M., up to 9s; hoggets, good enquiry for really good sheep, at up to 10s.

Fat Cattle—Beef unchanged, 20s to 21s per 190 lbs, southern

markets moving up.
Store Cattle—Very good demand. Weaners, 26s to 28s; year-

lings, 40s; two-year-olds, L3; three and four-year-olds, bullocks, L4 10s to L4 15s; more if very fresh.

Dairy Cows—All good sorts command full prices. Young cows close to calving, up to L8 10s; others according to age. We have

sold aged cows up to L5 10s.

Horses-We held our weekly sale of horses on Saturday. There was a very large attendance, but the number of entries was small, buyers were present for light express and harness herses, also draughts, but none suitable came forward. We quote good draughts young, sound and heavy, L20 to L24; medium, L14 to L16; light harness borses of good class, L12 to L16; express horses, L12 to L16; hacks, L8 to L14; according to age and style. Vehicles of all descriptions found sale at fair prices.

Sheepskins—Good demand now, all coming forward selling freely, best, 5s to 5s 6d; medium, 4s to 4s 3d; others, 2s 6d to 3d;

dry skins 4d per lb.

Tallow—18s to 20s for best; medium, 15s to 16s.

Grain—Fowl wheat, 2s 4d to 2s 81.

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Potatoes—Very plentiful, slow demand, market rushed.

Property—There are buyers about for farms, but the prices asked are usually too high to allow business to be done, we have some sales pending with southern chents, which may result in business. There is still a demand for 4 and 6 roomed houses with a little ground if sellers will meet the market. Hotel properties are changing hands principally to buyers from the South,

### OBITUARY.

(From an occasional Correspondent.)

MR JOHN GRIFFIN died at Milton on the 21st inst, at the advanced age of 82. Many of his former pupils and friends throughout the Colony will recall the kindly qualities of the good old man who has gone to his reward. For more than a generation John Griffin has been more or less identified with the practical work of Catholic education on the Coast, in Southland, in Tuapeka, and latterly in Milton:

Born in County Kerry, Ireland, John Griffin had the advantage of a good training, and gave himself heart and soul to the cultivation of his mental faculties; with what result those best know who were associated with him, or had the benefit of his guidance in their education.

All through his life he retained the simple habits and ways of his earlier years, and he has left as a legacy to those who knew him the memory of a life entirely spent in the service of God and the cause of Catholic education. For some years past he had acted as book-keeper to a local tradesman (Mr Scanlan) and to the very lasdisplayed unflagging interest in the affairs confided to him.

His familiar figure will be much missed by the congregation of St Mary's, Milton. The funeral cortege left the church on Sunday a little before 3 p.m. and the remains were followed by a very large number.

The service at the church and grave was conducted by the Rev Father Byan, who made feeling allusion to the virtues of deceased at the various services. May he rest in peace.

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### CATHOLIC NEWS.

(From the Catholic Times.)

MGR BICARD, Vicar-General of Aix, is preparing a work dealing with Zola's wretched romance about Lourdes.

A Swedish lady of considerable influence named Annell, renounced Protestantism in the Island of Capri a few days age, and was received into the Church by the Archbishop of Sorrento.

That somewhat rare event, the conversion of a professor of the Jewish faith, took place recently at Genoa, when Miss Riccardi, of Ferrara, was received into the Church. The Marquis of Cambiaso was padrino.

A London lady, Mrs Harriet Wiseman, has been baptised and received into the Catholic Church at San Sebastian, Spain. The Viscount and Viscountess de Montserrat were sponsors.

The conversion of Miss Edith Hogarth, of Aberdeen, is recorded by the Paese of Perugia. She was received into the Church by the Archbishop of that See. Miss Hogarth belonged to the Episcopal Church.

Our contemporary the Catholic Times of Philadelphia announces the conversion of Professor Frost of the Friends' Central School, He is a man of great ability and singular devotion to duty. He was brought into the Church by studying the question of the Real Presence.

Father de Groo', Prior of the Dominicans of Mimegue, has been appointed professor of Thomist Philosophy at the University of Amsterdam, which has hitherto been considered an essentially Protestant institution.

His Holiness Leo XIII. has approved the proposal that the Cardinal-Archbishop of Baltimore shall become the legal proprietor of the residence of the Papal Delegate in Washington upon the expiration of the present term.

The Dames du Sacré Cour have just elected their new Superioress at a meeting held to the mother house, Boulevard des Invalides. Paris. Mother de Sertorius, Assistant-General, was selected almost unanimously for the post. She is sixty-four years of age and has bees thirty-eight years in the Order.

A very important archæological discovery has been made in the Ludovisi quarter of Rome consisting of a portion of a catacomb which, it is asserted by competent judges, certainly dates as far back as the days of the first persecutions of the Christians. Some fresco paintings are still traceable on the walls although the rains have done considerable damage,

In response to inquiries a reply has, it is reported, been received from the Holy See stating that there is no hing to prevent the clergy using bicycles if the needs of the ministry require it. The Bishop of Cremona, in conveying this decision to the clergy, adds that the inventor of the bicycle was in reality the Abbé Planton.

Mgr Silva, Bishop of Goyaz, in Brazil, is stopping for a few days in Paris as the guest of Cardinal Richard on his way home from Rome, where he was received by the Pope. The Bishop's diocese is 1,600 miles from north to south, and almost as much from east to west. Besides 13 tribes of unconverted savages, there are 800,000 Catholics, living in 90 towns and 50 smaller settlements. The diocese is divided into 91 parishes, one of which is larger than Portugal. There are only 30 priests to minister to the spiritual needs of this vast territory, half of whom are aged or invalid,

Another very curious discovery was made in Rome on Tuesday July 24. Some masons were working in the Piazza San Silvestro on the water conductors, when suddenly the ground gave way, disclosing a large hole. A number of the workmen procured torches and descended by means of ropes and sticks, which they dug into the soft earth. Judge their amazement on making the discovery that the Church of St Silvestro in Capite, now the national English church for Catholics at Rome, and the post office to which it is annexed, are built on long galleries having all the appearance of an ancient catacomb. A number of bones were found in various parts of the gallery, It is thought that more excavations can be made on this spot, which may prove to be of great interest in the world of science and archive-

Mr C. B. Rianhard, of Philadelphis, recently mailed to Rev Father L. L. Conrady, of the Molokai leper settlement, for the use of the lepers, a complete set of Holy Land pictures. Writing in reply Father Conrady says: "On behalf of the lepers I thank you. They wi'l enjoy looking at the pictures. As they have not been out of their islands, many things seem strange to them. The poor Hawaiians are fast disappearing. From two to three millions their number has decreased until they are now less than 40,000, with some 1,800 to 1,400 lepers."

A private letter from Buenos Ayres informs us (Arc. Maria) that a nephew of Professor Huxley has been received into the Church by the Rev Father Constantine, C. P. The new convert had studied the works of his distinguished uncle; but the prayers and example of his believing wife disarmed his prejudices, led him to investigate the claims of the Church, and he was finally won over to the Faith



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# The New Zealand Cablet.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1894.)

PROGRESS AND JUSTICE IN THE NINETEENTH CENTURY.

THE Catholics of New Zealand provide, at their own sole expense, an excellent education for their own children. such is the sense of justice and policy in the New Zealand Legislature that it compels these Catholics, after having manfully provided for their own children, to contribute largely towards the free and godless education of other people's children!!! This is tyranny, oppression, and plunder.

"TURK, JEW, OR INFIDEL MAY ENTER HERE BUT NOT A PAPIST."



FIRST cousin of the A.P.A of the United States has just seen the light in Moa Creek, Otago. The local school committee object to a teacher because of her happening to be a Roman Catholic. From time to time, acting on information received from trustworthy sources, we have com-

mented on the unfairness with which Catholic applicants were treated in the matter of school appointments. The advocates of the public school system have always loudly denied the truth of the statements made by our correspondents, and proudly boasted that common justice was done in every case to all, irrespective of religious differences. The published minutes of the last meeting of the Education Board clearly show the possibility and probability and actuality of bigotry and injustice in the selection of school teachers. In August last the Moa Creek Committee requested the Board to send on a teacher as soon as possible without going through the form of submitting names. The Board selected Miss Whitze for the position, and notified the committee by wire of the appointment. The secretary of the committee wired back, "Committee cannot accept." In a letter of explanation the statement was made that letter of explanation the statement was made that the committee could not accept Miss WHITE because of her religion. At last meeting the Education Board recommended the committee to waive their objection, and give Miss WHITE & cordial reception. Our Dunedin morning contemporary thus makes editoral comment on this incident, specially painful to secularists because of the wide publicity it has now received: "The Moa Creek committee object to Miss WHITE because she is a Roman Catholic. That is the long and short of the matter.

It seems clear that the committee delegated to the Board the right of making a selection, and then refused to accept the person appointed on account of her religious persuasion. It is a clear case of the sectarian spirit — the spirit of bigotry and religious intolerance — invading the management of the educational affairs of a district; and the majority of our readers must have been pained, not to say disgusted, when they read that the committee suggested that the fact of Miss White being a Roman Catholic would make it very unpleasant for the teacher and also for the committee. It is even hinted that a Roman Catholic teacher might have difficulty in obtaining residential accommodation! "Happily," con-"Happily," continues the Times, "the state of mind which prevails at Moa

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Creek is as singular as it is objectionable, and it cannot be too generally known that the Board has a considerable number of Roman Catholic teachers in its service doing excellent work and living harmoniously with all sections of the com-munity. The Moa Creek incident has the distinction of being a solecism." We have no hesitation in accepting the assertion of our contemporary that the Roman Catholics who have accepted service under the Education Board work conscientiously with their pupils and live harmoniously with the people of the district, but we should like to know exactly what is meant by the words "considerable number." We are given to understand that the "considerable number" is under half-a-dozen. We ask for enlightenment on this point. The Times says that the "Moa Creek incident has the distinction of being a solecism." What does the editor mean? By a "solecism," Stormouth tells us, we are to understand "any glaring deviation from the established usage of a language in speaking or writing." The word is now applied to the matter of appointment of Otago teachers. If there is question of the "private sifting" by school committees, on a religious persuasion basis, being made public by the independent members of an education board, we agree that the Moa Creek incident is a "solecism." It has happened once—just once too often—and will never happen again. Discimus errando. "We learn by making mistakes." Partisan committees will be wiser another time. If there is question of the "spirit of bigotry and religious intolerance" shown when committees "do their own sifting," we are sorry we cannot agree with our Dowling street contemporary. Leaving out of question the not unfrequent complaints made by reliable correspondents in other parts of the Colony, we ask the editor of the Times to study the history of a school committee contiguous to the Moa Creek just men. If he had sent a reporter to the Lauder district before writing his article, he would easily have ascertained from the general feeling of the place that publicity in the Press does not always follow action showing the "spirit of bigotry and religious intolerance" of school committees. He would have found that the Moa Creek incident, as far as the feeling of the committee was concerned, was but the repetition in a short space of time and a few miles off of the Lauder incident. "Solecism," in view of much that we have learned, is a very unfortunate word. One idea is forced upon us. We have frequently heard children distinguishing between the Protestant or State schools and Catholic or private schools. From many cases which have come under our notice-and the Moa Creek incident is but the last of its kind-there is much truth in the assertion that our Protestant neighbours shamelessly take our money to effectively help them in advancing the interests of their particular denomination.

On Sunday next at 3 p.m. the sacrament of Confirmation will be administered in St Joseph's Cathedral by the Bishop of Christchurch. On Sunday, October 7, the Feast of the Most Holy Rosary, his Lordship will open the new church of St Patrick, South Dunedin,

HIGH Mass was celebrated at St Joseph's Cathedral, Dunedin on Sunday at 11 a.m. The Rev Father M'Mullen acted as celebrant the Rev Father Howard as deacon, and the Very Rev Father Lynch, Adm, as sub-deacon. The preacher was the Rev Father Howard, who delivered an excellent sermon on humility. Farmer's Mass was performed by the choir. In the evening at Vespers the preacher was Father M'Mullen, who preached on prayer,

AT the quarterly meeting of the H.A.C.B S., held in Dunedin on Tuesday evening, it was agreed that the branch should take part, as a body, in the opening of St Patrick's Church, South Dunedin. The Very Rev Father Lynch, who was present, said that this would gratify the Bishop very much. Afterwards two of the members, Brothers Fenton and Carr, waited on his Lordship, who expressed to them his gratification and interest, and wished them success and prosperity. He thanked the Society for their charity and gave them generally, throughout the colony, his blessing,

A VERY pleasing entertainment took place in St Joseph's schoolroom, Dunedio, on Monday evening, in commemoration of the feast of the Rev Mother Prioress-a festival observed yearly proprio motu by the pupils of the Pominican Convent Righ School. The play chosen for the occasion was "William Fell," rather an ambitious undertaking for such young performers. The performance, nevertheless, was excellent, -the dialogue fluent and intelligent, and the acting spirited. The scenery was particularly well devised, the rugged Alpine surroundings being artistically reproduced, and the | making mischief,

dresses were appropriate. A tableau shown by a red light at the conclusion, and in which the whole dramatis persona, with some picturesque additions, took part, was most effective. Between the acts, on the floor of the room, in front of the stage, the little children of the Kindergarten went very prettily through their choicest exercises and dances, with a pianoforte accompaniment to their singing. A quartet of the elder pupils also executed a graceful skirt dance, and one young lady sang with great sweetness a difficult song. Everything went off with infinite success, and much to the enjoyment of the audience.

AN order issued by Bishop Watterson, of Columbus, Ohio, approved of by Mgr Satolli, and adopted by Archbishop Corrigan, as applicable also, if desirable, to New York, has made a sensation in the United States. Many people, especially the wilder advocates of total abstinence, have bailed it as tautamount to a denunciation by the Church, of all use of alcholic liquors, and, on the contrary, by certain saloon-keepers, and their organs in the press, it has been onewhat insolently defied. The order was to the effect that, in the religious Societies already existing in the diocese, no saloon-keeper or other person engaged in the liquor trade should be made an officer, and that into no such Society formed in the future should any such person be admitted as a member. The Bishop had been induced to take this step by the particular action of a Society known as the Catholic Kuigh's, who, in disregard of the statutes of the diocese, had carried on at their entertainments beer selling, beer drinking, and promiscuous dancing, and generally by finding that the class of persons in question, to quote his Lordship's words, "tried to dominate toe Societies and in too many cases succeeded in using their membership for their own selfish ends, and often to the injury of other members and their families, and the dishonour of the Societies themselves and religion." The Bishop, however, explained that he did not mean to condemn the liquor business in itself or every one who was engaged in it. That the Church disapproves of the liquor traffic as it is conducted in the United States has long been notorious. A decree of the Third Council of Baltimore, held in 1884, in fact, condemned it, and enjoined on Catholics, if so engaged, the necessity of getting out of the business as soon as possible. The trade indeed, is scandalously abused, and, as a rule, the saloons are centres and hot-beds of vice. It is, nevertheless, not to be understood that the intention is to brand with disgrace everyone engaged in the trade-though doubtless, locally, the innocent will suffer with the guilty-according to a common and inevitable law. The case referred to is a particular one, and is not by any means to be taken as of general signification. Much less is it to be understood that a new departure has been taken by the Church at large, and that she has condemned, or will condemn, a legitimate use of any of God's creatures-alcohol or any other. America, we may remark in conclusion, is a country of many peculiarities, and exceptional measures adopted there are not to be regarded as necessarily having a bearing on the condition of things elsewhere. Our American cousins, in a word, may be left to consume their own-sensations.

AMONG the names of the students who have passed the examination for the M B.C.M. degree of the Edinburgh University we find that of Mr Alexander Joseph M'Ilroy, of Dunedin. Dr M'Ilroy, as we may now call him, was educated first at the Christian Brothers' School in this city and St Aloysius' College, Waikari, and afterwards at St Patrick's College, Wellington. Everywhere, both as school boy and student, he showed the marks of talent, and it may be taken for granted that he has before him a highly creditable career as a physician. We understand that he will make himself acquainted with the London hospitals and gain experience there before he returns to practice his profession in New Zealand,

Here is a cablegram under date Lonion, September 24:— "Addressing a meeting in Dublin Mr John Redmond vehemently demanded the release of those imprisoned in connection with dynamite outrages, on the ground that the outrages were the result of pure and high motives." Our rule has been, from the first, so far as possible, to avoid reference to the unfortunate part taken by Mr Redmond. We hoped thus, to do not much, but the little we could towards making reconciliation easier and helping to repair a destructive breach. If the cablegram quoted be true-and we can hardly credit it—we find that we have happily, though with a false hope refrained from censuring madness. Nothing else could account for such an utterance as this.

Ir report speaks the truth, King Humbert is showing the cloven foot. He is said to have changed his ambassador at Paris owing to an effort made by the official in question to bring about a reconciliation between France and Germany. Further report charges him with an attempt to involve England in a war with France, relative to the rumoured intention of this power to annex Madagascar. It will be worthy of the position filled by the usurper if he succeeds in

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SOME dissatisfaction has been caused among the residents at Cardrona by the refusal of an application made by them for the establishment in their town of a postoffice and savings bank under the charge of a civil servant. The request seems by no means exacting, and it is to be regretted that the department has not given it a favourable hearing. Where the postal arrangements and others depending on them are not satisfactory much inconvenience and annoyance are felt, and it is decidely a grievance that a respectable body of settlers, many of whom have done good work as pioneers, should be subjected to anything of the kind. The Hon the Postmaster-General, perhaps, may be induced to reconsider the matter.

### P IER.

(From an occasional Correspondent.)

September 17, 1894.

FATHER HUAULT, of Meanee Seminary, officiated at all the devotions in St Mary's church on Sunday last, Father Grogan being absent in the Wairoa, whither he has gone to prepare the way for the missionaries, who have just concluded a very successful mission at Hastings.

At second Mass Father Huault preached an impressive discourse on confession. In answering the question, "What is the use of confession? ' the rev gentleman quoted various cases, such as the artisan who was formerly addicted to drink, the poor woman overwhelmed with sorrow and ill-treated by her husband, who after confession returns cheerfully to her home, and endures her sorrow more patiently; the merchant who got rich at his master's expense, but through confession remorseful feelings took possession of his soul, and the consequence was a thief less in the world. What was the use of confession? Ask the poor inhabitants of any district whom the proprietor has left in misery and want. He has been to confession and he becomes a father to his unfortunate tenants. Confession takes away from the world innumerable crimes, misfortunes, and calamities. Some of the defects urged against confession was that it was so tiresome. But if a person took medicine for a disease it was not for pleasure, but as a remedy. After all, the defects were imaginary. Another defect was that some people who went to confession were not better than their neighours, but in answer to that he could say that thousands who went to confession were the better for it. People who argued in this manner probably saw the mote in their brother's eye, but not the beam in their own. They did not cease to be men because they were Christians, and still had all the different temptations to contend against.

The following appeared in a well-written leading article in the Daily Telegraph, ament the recent painful case tried in the Supreme Court, in which an old man got seven years' imprisonment :-- "We all know what human nature is without discipline, and the people of these colonies have proof daily and hourly before their eyes of the awful consequence of neglecting the moral training of their youth. Children now get very little training of this kind in our secular schools, and the teaching of the Sunday school is after all a poor substitute for the old-fashioned restraint and example of a well ordered home.'

The Coolgardie exodus which has set in all over New Zealand is also going on in Hawke's Bay. The two steamers leaving here last

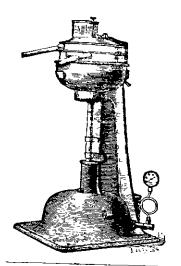
Saturday took away a large number of young men from this part of the colony, many of whom gave up good positions to proceed to the Western Australian goldfields.

### WELLINGTON.

(From an occasional Correspondent,)

LAST Sunday at St Mary of the Angels about 50 girls attending the convent schools in the Te Aro parish, and about 40 boys attending the Marist Brothers' school, made their first Communion. For months past the Sisters and Brothers spared no pains in preparing the young aspirants. And as the time approached Rev Father Goggan gave them special instruction ending by a retreat of three days. The Rev Father, with his usual zeal left nothing undone that they might well understand the importance of making a good first Communion. And when the morning came they showed by their edifying conduct that they understood the happiness which was so soon to be theirs. Mass was celebrated at 7 30, by the Rev Father Goggan, who preached an instructive and touching sermon for the occasion. The little church was crowded by the parents and friends of the happy ones. The altar was beautifully decorated and the sight was truly beautiful and edifying when the girls, in white dresses and veils, and the boys, wearing white sashes and rosettes, approached the altar to receive for the first time into their young bearts the Body and Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, A choir of girls sang appropriate hymns during the Mass, accompanied by Miss McDonall on the organ. After thanksgiving the first communicants repaired to St Patrick's Hall, where a very nice breakfast was prepared for them, and it is needless to say that they did justice to the good things. During the Sunday school in St Joseph's church on the same day at 3 o'clock, the first Communion children renewed their baptismal vows, Father Goggan gave them a nice instruction and the ceremonies were brought to a close by Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament.

The monthly reunion of the League of the Cross was held in St Patrick's Hall on Thursday night, the 20 h inst. The president, (Rev Fither Goggan) was in the chair, and there was a very large attendance of members and their friends. Miss Kearsley played a pianoforte solo; songs were sung by Misses Gallagher, Sallivan, and Driscoll, Messrs Griffen and Plates, and Master McCarthy, and Miss McDonald and Mr Platts sang a duet. A very pleasant evening was brought to a close with a farce "Grandmother's Ghost," by members of the League, which provoked roars of laughter. The Rev Father Goggan, who left next day for Sydney for the benefit of his health, was presented with a purse of sovereigns as a mark of the appreciation in which he is held by the residents of Te Aro parish and the members of the League of the Cross, of which he is president. Mr J. J. Devine, vice-president of the Lague, made the presentation, and in a few well chosen words spoke of the devoted manner in which Father Goggan has laboured in the parish, and the affection and regard in which he is held by the whole of the parishioners. Father Goggan, who received the purse amid loud applause, thanked the parishioners for their present, and expressed the pleasure he felt at doing all that lay in his power for their welfare. The Rev Father will be away till the beginning of November. He has the good



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wishes of all the parishioners, and all pray that he will return in

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### SCHOOL BOOKS.

### TO THE EDITOR N.Z. TABLET.

Sir, - For the information of your correspondent, "G. Girling Bute" her," whose letter appeared in last week's TABLET, September 21, under the above heading, and others anxious to become acquainted with the Brothers' standard readers and school books—these books can be pro cored, together with prices, on application to any Catholic bookseller in the Colony-especially Messrs Whitaker Brothers, Wel ington, or E. O'Connor, Catholic book depot, Christchurch. - I am, etc.,

OATHOLIC PARENT.

Christchurch, September 24, 1894,

### NO "SOLECISM."

### TO THE EDITOR N.Z. TABLET.

SIB-May I ask you to allow me to inform your readers that the Moa Creek incident re elucational appointments is not a solitary one. The very same thing occurred at the next school district, Lauder, only a very short time ago. - I am etc,

John Sheehan, Ophir,

### WESTPORT NOTES AND COMMENTS.

(By OLD IDENTITY)

September 21, 1894.

ACTIVE preparations are being made for a vocal and instrumental entertainment to be held on the 18th October next, at the Princess Theatre, in sid of the funds of St Canice's school. The object is a laudable one, and I am pleased to learn that the tickets are going off rapidly.

The Rev Father McCormack preached his two first sermons in St Canice's Church last Sunday week-morning and evening-and his eloquent discourses on each occasion were listened to with wrapt attention by large congregations.

The prognostication, in my last, that the members for the north and south ward seats in the Borough Council would be returned unopposed was quite correct, with the sight difference that Mr W. Nahr did not seek re-election, and Mr James Colvin took his place. Mrs Janet Leech, wife of the Harbourmaster here, was nominated for the south ward, but after feeling the pulse of the electors she decided not to go to the poll, much to she disappointment of mary. Messre Robert Carr, compositor, and W. L. England, merchant, were nominated for the middle ward and they fought the election out to a finish, with the result that the old member won his seat by an overwhelming majority-thus placing another Municipal victory to his credit. The figures were: -Carr, 91; Rugland, 20. It is perhaps worthy of mention that nearly 30 persons were precluded from recording their votes owing to influenza and the inclemency of the weather, the majurity of whom were staunch supporters of the winning candidate.

The libel action, Harden v. Munro, has been settled out of court, an apology having been tendered and accepted.

Dr W. P. Willis, of Bichmond, Victoria, received the appointment of medical officer to the Westport district bospital. There were 19 applications for the position from all parts of the Australian colonies, including one local medical man (Dr Gaz ). Dr Willis is said to possess first-class qualific toors to surgery, which greatly influenced his appointment to the position, this town being a mining centre. The successful applicant forwarded his portrait, and one of the local papers also supplied its readers with particulars respecting his height (5ft 6in) 30 years of age, an abstainer, married, a young man of forceful character (judging from his picture) and so forth. What a marvellous age we live in !

Captain Cox, second mate on the s.s. Janet Nicoli, has been appointed to the position of Assistant Harbourmaster at this port, vice Captain Me calf. There were 24 applications submitted to the Harbour Board for selection, and the choice of the majority fell upon Captain T. W. Cox. He was formerly Assistant Harbourmaster at

The notice which the Government has served upon the coal companies holding leases in this district, that their rights would be forfeited unless the output conditions were fulfilled immediately, meets with the approval of all right-thinking colouists, and the step which they (the Government) have taken is to be commended,

At the quarterly meeting of the Baller Licensing Committee, held on the 8th instant, at the court house, Mrs Malony, Messrs Patrick Ryan and C. Gording were granted removal of their publican's license to Coalbrockdale and Burnett's Face, on certain conditions as to accommodation. Mr R. Carr, chairman pro tem of the Licensing Committee, signed the certificates for removal yesterday. The Westport Coal Company objected for some years past to the granting of licenses in the vicinity of the mines, but the comp my I did not oppose at the last meeting.

All who are in search of the school books of the Marist and Chris-All who are in search of the sensor of the arana and ontistian Brothers will find them at Mr E. O'Connor's Book depot, Christ-church. Mr O'Connor has also on hand an extensive and well selected stock of books suited for school prizes.

The third centenary of the death of the blessel Canisins, who

rendered such great service to Switzerland, will be celebrated by the

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The Roman police have discovered a revolutionary band who correspond regularly with foreign Anarchists. Skeity women have acted as go-betweens for the correspondents in order that the suspicious of the police might not be aroused.

Rev Louis A. Lambert, author of "Notes on Ingersoli," and editor Philadelphia Times accepts the Henry George land theory this week in an article in which he says that there is nothing revolutionary in its teachings, and that the only question is, will it produce the binificial results anticipated by Mr George.

Short Jue Sosa, Middister of the Interior of Paraguay, has died suddenly whilst on a brief visit to the French capital. The deceased, who was only furly-two years of age, was one of the few statesmen in South America esteemed for perfect integrity and loyalty. The body will be conveyed to Paraguay.

According to an Orange orator, Delegate Pitis, at the Ghost-Dance of the brithren in London last week, "the Dominion of Canada has 60,000 Protestints and thousands of Orangemen."

According to the cold figures of the latest ceusus, the whole population of Canada has 60,000 Protestints and thousands of Orangemen."

According to the cold figures of the latest ceusus, the whole population of Canada numbers less than 4,500,000, of whom 1,792,000 are Catholics Mr Pitts must have gone to his bottomless namesake to find the bulk of his imaginary Orange coberts — Pilat.

A Catholic bashon has been appointed by the Chinese Governfind the bulk of his imaginary Orange cohorts - Pilot.

A Catholic bishop has been appointed by the Chinese Government a mandarin of the hird class. He is the Right Rev Mgr. Adz. Rishop of Telepte, Vic. r Apostolic of Southern Chantong. He now ranks among the officials of the Celestal Empire with judges of courts of sppeals and generals of the army. He is held in the highest honour by all class s. highest honour by a'l class s.

At a meeting or the Ontario Synod of the Church of England one of the speakers, the Rev Mr Waterman, said he detested that spirit of self-assertion which went by the name of Protestant, remarking that there was only one Protestant in heaven and he was turned out-that is, Satan.

(From the Pilot.)

Antrim.—An appeal for funds is being issued by Ulster Unionists says a despatch from Belfast, as otherwise the work canno be carried on. The appeal states the registration work in Ulater is very important and substantial funds will be required. A supreme effort must be made through the year, and the funds will be quite inadequate for the work devolving on them.

Clare.—The Commission of Assizes was opened by Justice Harrison at the Courthouse, Ennis, on July 3. Addressing the grand jury, he said :- The number of cases presented for investigation at the criminal side of the court was not very numerous, nor were they of a very serious kind. There was no case of murder or of firing at the person, and there was a diminution in the more serious class of offences from what prevailed last year. For instance, there were only four cases of arson, four too many, of course, as against nine last year.

Father McLaughlin concluded recently a mission in Kildysart. During its progress John O'Connell, J.P., a grand-nephew of the Great Liberator, and who is described as an excellent landlord, took the workingmen on his estate every evening in a large caravan to the church.

Donegal.-In the House of Commons on the 28th ult., Swift MacNeill asked the Financial Secretary to the War Office will he explain why dressings of Mountcharles freestone are not used in the works now going on at the Curragh camp? has it given satisfaction in previous works at the camp, for instance in the new hospital?

presided in the Iown Court, was presented with a pair of white gloves by the High Sheriff, Mr Brady Murray, as there were no criminal cases to be heard.

Mr Justice Andrews presided in the County Court, where there were only five cases of assault and petty larceny. The whole criminal business was disposed of to-day.

Kerry.-Justice Bewley, Commissioners Wrench and Fitz gerald, Q C, sat in the Killarney Courthouse, on July 3, and com menced the hearing of a list of 200 appeals from County Kerry and the East Riding of County Court There were fifty-five cases from the Kenmare estate, twenty-five from the estate of Daniel McCarthy, and fourteen from the estate of the Marquis of Lansdowne. The tenants were represented by J. P. Broderick and D. M. Moriarty, T. Huggard appeared for the landlord.

Kilkenny. - The Nationalists of Kilkenny are about to provide themselves with a Club. Such an institution has been long wanted in the Marble City; now a strong committee has been formed for the purpose of meeting the want. Labourers, artisans, merchants, town councillors, magistra'es and clergymen are all represented on the committee, and it indicates a really united effort in the good work,

Leitrim. -On the fourteenth ult., Johnson and the crowbar brigade visited Clo ne district and pulled down the houses of John Mullaney and Bridget McGuiness. They attempted to wreck James Moran's house, but, like a plucky man he se'zed the blade of a scythe and put them to flight.

Limerick.-At the weekly meeting of the Limerick City Branch of the Federation, June 30, a statement was made in reference t a suggestion from the Amnesty Association, that John Daly should be the National candidate at the next election for the representation of the City. The subject came before the meeting through a letter from Daniel Madigan, secretary of the Association, in which he said



is he aware that Mountcharles frees one was specially selected, to the rejection of all others, for dressing the new Dublin National Museum? on what grounds are all the dressings at present taken from County Wicklow, and will Mountcharles frees one be scheduled for the works that are yet to be tendered for? Mr Woodall said in the work in which it has been used, Mountcharles freestone, it is believed, has given satisfaction, and in the event of future freestone dressings being required at the Curragh, it would be probably put in the contract that the stone should be Mountcharles freestone, or some stone of equal quality, texture, and colour. In the buildings now being erected at the Curragh granite has been considered the most suitable, and the contract required that it should be Curragh or granite of equal quality. Mr Woodall also said he had not made any inquiry into the progress of the works at Lough Swilly, but Mountcharles freestone would be used whenever it was shown to be suitable.

The death is announced of the Rev J. Gavigan, of Castlemaine, Australia. Father Gavigan was a native of County Donegal, which he loved with the patrictism of a true and holy priest. He made his philosophical and thological studies at the All Hallows' College, and his life reflected high honour on that noble establishment. In college ble strong individuality made him a wise and pious leader of his fellow-students, and had he lived there is no doubt his singularly excellent qualities would have borne him to a high place in the Church. He went to Victoria in September, 1890.

Fermanagh,-An old document was presented to the Enniskillen County Court on the 27th ult., which is a translation of the charter of Euniskillen, dated at Dublin, Feb. 29, 1613

Galway. -The judges arrived in Galway to-day, and the commission was opened at four o'clock. Mr Justice O'Brien, who

he was requested by the Limerick Amnesty Association to ask their co-operation in the carrying out of the resolution passed at the Amnesty Convention, May 23, to run John Daly as the Parliamentary candidate with a view of effecting his more speedy release and to prove to the Government and the world that the people of his native city regard him not as a dynamitard, but as one of the felons of his land, and one thought so much of that those who know him best deemed him worthy of the honour of representing them in the Imperial Parliament. The committee of the Federation directed the secretary to submit the following to the Amnesty Association—if the Parnellites agreed permitting of the nomination of the National candidate selected, as usual at the convention, the Nationalists would agree to elect John Daly at the head of the poll, but they were not going to run the chance of having the representation of the city handed over to the Tories.

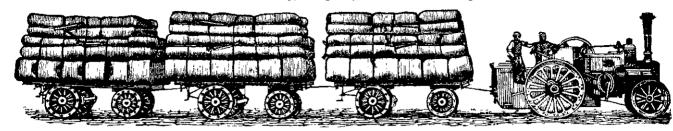
Cardinal Logue was presented with addresses from the members of the Catholic Institute and of St Michael's Temperance Society of Limerick on June 29. In the course of his reply, His Eminence said that of all the other magnificent qualifications which endeared His Holiness to the priests of the Church, there was one thing that should endear him specially to the children of St Patrick, and it was the great love he has for the Irish people, and the deep interest he takes in their welfare, spiritual and temporal. He (His Eminence) knew this well, he had it from his own lips that the Pope is deeply interested in the struggle that the Irish people are making for a greater measure of freedom and greater control over their own affairs; and so long as that struggle was kept within the bounds of reason, justice and religion, the Pope would be as strong an advocate and as deeply interested an onlooker as the Irish people engaged in this struggle could wish.

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Louth, - Juige Madden sating a Crown Court of the Courty Courthouse at Drogheds on July 3, at the summer assizes. He said there was a certain amount of monotony in the addresses which were delivered to the jury, and he found he would have to repeat the same old story, as there was no criminal business to go before them. He noticed that their town was not only free from the graver classes of crime, but also from that class of cases that usually come before a quarter sessions Court. He observed that their County Court Judge on the last occasion he sat there was presented with white gloves. Judge Madden was presented with white gloves by P. Lynch, the High Sheriff.

Monaghan. - On June 26, Lady Rossmore summoned, in compliance with a promise made to the Countess of Aberdeen on the occasion of her recent visit to Monaghan, a number of ladies of the St McCartan Branch of the Irish Industries Association to Rossmore Castle to take council together as to the best means of increasing the membership of the horanch, and of securing for it as much financial aid as possible. As a patroness, Lady Rossmore takes a very warm interest in its welfare, and impressed strongly upon the ladies present to do everything in their power to make the crochet industry in Monaghan a great success. Among the ladies present were: Mrs Raffer'y, of Mill street, Monaghan; Miss Rose, of Scotstown; Mrs Swan, of Cappagh Lodge; Mrs C. Hall, of Monaghan; Mrs James Mitchell, of Tullucrummin; Mrs O'Loughlin, of The Rectory, Monaghan; Miss Mary MacAleese, of The Hill, Monaghan; Miss Mary A. Tierney, of Crochet School, Monaghan.

Justice Madden, accompanied by John M. Bolton, High Sher ff for the County Monaghan, opened the Commission at Monaghan, on . the 6th iost The former said "Your duties at the present assizes are very light. There are only six bills to go before you, and these are of the most ordinary char eter and require no special observation from me. I have come to he conclusion that the calendar fairly represents the state of the coun'y with regard to crime.

Tipperary. - O Done van Rossa visited Tipperary July 1. This was the first opportunity afforded him of returning thanks to the people for electing bim as their Parliamentary representative twenty. five years ago when he was undoing his tortures in prison. The demonstration was composed of all sections of Nationalists. Nearly 5 000 people must have been present to rece ve bim at the Limerick Junction. On his arrival a procession was formed and halted at the butter weigh house in Church street, where Rossa delivered his lecture. He received a most enthusiastic ovation. He thanked the people for the honour they did him so many years ago when they elected him Member of Parliament (cheers and cries of "We would again"). B. ssa proceeded with his lecture, and at the conclusion a vote of thanks was unanimously given him. The reading of addresses of welcome to Rossa was then proceeded with.

Tyroue .- The hands employed in the Roan Spinning Company, Coalisland, recently ceased working owing to a reduction of one shilling per hand per fortnight in the female department. The strike affected six hundred hands. On July 6 they resumed work at former wages.

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PRESENTATIONS TO THE VERY REV FATHER HACKETT.

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(From an occasional Correspondent.)

WHEN it became known that 8t Patrick's Cathedral was about to lose the services of their beloved and energetic administrator, Father Hackett, and when the parishioners had recovered from the shock occasioned by the news of the unwelcome severance from their exemplary soggarth aroon, meetings were held on all sides, the people as a body, Hibernians, Literary Society, choir, school children, altar boys, all contending with each other to do honour to one who was at all times an honour and a pride to them. At last everything was in readiness, and Father Hackett was summoned from his rural parish to the city, where, on Thursday evening, the 13th lost, in the large room of St Patrick's presbytery, before his Lordship the Bishop, Dr Egan, Father Lemhan, Mr J. D. Connolly, U.S. Consul, the parishioners' committee of ladies and gentlemen, and representatives of the various societies assembled, the following addresses were read. The first was the parishioners, which was read by the United States Consul, Mr Councily, who prefaced his reading with an eloquent speech, in which he bore personal testimony to the good work and example set by Father Hackett, laying particular stress upon his love and fidelity to Ireland. The following is the parishioners' address:—

"To the Very Rev Father Hackett. Dear Rev Father,-We, the parisbioners of St Patrick's Cathedral parish, together with your numerous friends, take this opportunity of expressing our sincere regret at your departure from our midst, where you have for seven years labouted incessantly for our spiritual and temporal necessities. Evidence of your good works remain with us in the confraternities and societies promoted and fostered by you as potent auxiliaries of our Holy Chuich. Your eloquent and powerful appeals to us from the pulpit and in private, your sound and practical admonitions and exemplary con luct; your unceasing efforts to reclaim the wayward, and to succour the needy, and finally your ardent love for dear Ireland all combine to enhance your strong claim on our gratitude, and we will ever pray that God may grant you health and strength to labour in thit evalued sphere in which you are so bright an orna-

The n x) aldress was that of the Auckland branch of the HACB. Society, which was read by Mr William Kane, Secretary.

"Rev and Dear Sir, - We, the members of St Patrick's branch, No 81, of the Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society, desire to express our heartfelt regret at your removal from this city, our high appreciation of your incessant labours in the interests not only of this, but of the various societies and works appertaining to your office during your administration. We have recognised with pleasure your love of holy religion, pa!riotism, exemplary conduct, and charitable disposition, all of which ever endear the Irish priest to his flock, and perhaps seldom more than in this instance embitter the parting. We earnestly hope and pray that God may grant you good health and many happy years to diffuse the light of faith amongst His people, that Heaven may ever bestow on you its choicest favours and blessings. In conclusion we humbly and devoutly request you to grant us your blessing, and remember us in you prayers, -(Signed) James Smith, president; Hugh Dufferin, vice-president; D. Flynn, treasurer; John Patterson, past president; W. Kane, secretary."

The address from the Auckland Catholic Literary Society as fol-

lows, was read by Mr William Tole, senior vice-president:—
'Dear Reverend Father,—It is with mingled feelings of pleasure and pain that we, the members of the Auckland Catholic Literary and Debating Society, desire to ask your acceptance of this address and the accompanying volumes on the occasion of your removal from the cathedral parieb, and your consequent retirement from the office of spiritual director. We recognise in you all the qualities which combine to produce the zealous pastor and the true friend and worker in the cause of the people. Our society, founded by you, has carried on his good work, thanks to your untiring exertions, and has served as a model and an example to neighbouring parishes. PARKER, FINLAY, & LEED-HAM'S RINK LIVERY, LETTING, and COMMERCIAL STABLES

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The above three addresses were nicely bound in one large volume, the covers of which were made of Russian leather, with suitable inscription in gold letters on the front. The designs and illuminations were very good. On that of the parishioners were a beautiful picture of the Cathedral, and of St Patrick, a view of Auckland harbour, several Irish emblems, and a border of shamrocks.

Mr Clarke, for St Patrick's choir, read their address as follows:

"To the Very Rev Father Hackett, Adm. St Patrick's Cathedral,
Anckland—Very rev and dear sir: The members of St Patrick's
Cathedral choir desire to express their sincers regret at your departure from St Patrick's on account of ill health, and to convey to you
the expression of their appreciation of the warm sympathy always
manifested by you in all matters connected with the choir. We ask
you to accept the accompanying dinner set as a token of esteem, and
we trust that in your new sphere of labour you may enjoy that
improvement in your health which we all devoutly hope for, and that
all other blessings, both spiritual and temporal, may be accorded to
you. On behalf of the choir, P. F. Hiscocks, conductor."

The Marist school boys' address was illuminated by one of the pupils, Master James McVeagh, who also read it:—

Mr Daniel Flynn, hon treasurer, and Mr M. Sheahan, hon secretary, then stepped forward, the former handing to Father Hackett a purse containing sixty sovereigns. His Lordship then stood up and said he felt so gratified and pleased at being present on such an occasion, and he would say, that good Father Hackett was indeed worthy of the manifestations shown to him, as he had always found him a zealous priest and warm-hearted friend. He reiterated all the encomiums passed on him to-night. The rising of Father Hackett was the signal for a genuine outburst of long applause. It was some minutes before he could speak, and it was noticeable that within him a battle was raging, and that it cost him a great effort to subdue it; in fact, this was evident throughout the whole of his reply. Father Hackett said:—

My Lord, Rev Fathers, Mr Connolly, ladies and gentlemen:-I feel so deeply affected by the testimony of the goodwill and kindness of the parishioners of St Patrick's Cathedral towards me, that I can hardly find utterance for the sentiments of gratitude with which my heart is moved. Permit me to convey to them through you, sir, and the ladies and gentlemen of this deputation, the expression of my deep sense of the honour which they have conferred upon me by the kind sentiments in my regard embodied in their valued and affectionate address, and also my most grateful thanks for the accompanying gift, expressive of their warm-hearted generosity. I should be vain, indeed, were I to allow myself to believe that my feeble efforts to promote their spiritual and temporal interests while here, entitled me to the merit ascribed to me. I am too conscious of my own shortcomings to recognise myself in the picture drawn of me, but, if action through life always corresponded with intention and feeling, I should not feel unworthy of the eulogistic language employed. Whatever little I may have been instrumental in accomplishing towards the advancement of the undertakings to which allusion is made, I attribute it to God and the zealous co-operation of the devoted young men and women who have worked so unitedly with me from the beginning. It will be a constant source

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The sanctuary boys of the Cathedral now grouped around their late pastor, and presented him with a beautiful photograph containing the whole of their portraits, and Master Thomas Guscott read their address as follows:—

"Very Rev J. J. Hackett, Adm. St Patrick's Cathedral, Auckland: Dear Rev Father.—We, the sanctuary boys of the Cathedral, beg your acceptance of this souvenir, as a token of the esteem and love we have for one whose memory, as a priest and friend, will ever be enshrined in our hearts. Under your masterly direction the ceremonies have been carried out with all becomingness, and we, as sharers in carrying them out, have to thank you for the training we have received from you. Sorry, indeed, we are to lose you, but we rejcice at the prospect that the change may restore you to a perfect state of health, and prolong for the interest of the Church the life of one who works so unflinchingly for the Master's cause. Praying the Sacred Heart of our dear Lord to give you health and long life, and recommending ourselves to your good prayers, we are, dear Bev Father, yours affectionately, the sanctuary boys of St Patrick's Cathedral."

of genuine pleasure to me, while labouring in my new pansh, to learn that the societies founded here are carrying on the good work for which they were established, and that the love of faith and fatherland will be ever cherished and increased amongst the people from whom I now pair with regret. Their farewell address will be preserved by me through life. It will inspire me with renewed zeal in the service of our Divine Master and help to make me more worthy of His love and more deserving of the high place given me in the hearts of such a grateful people.

All then shook hands with Father Hackett, wishing him goodbye. He then proceeded to the steamer, numbers accompanying him to the wharf, and as the steamer went off three hearty cheers were given for him. The last act of Father Hackett was to hand two guineas to the hon secretary of the Irish National Federation, to be sent with their contributions to Ireland. Father Hackett's name will for ever be revered in the history of St Patrick's.

### WAIMATE.

(From an occasional Correspondent.)

September 17, 1894.

THE following is a condensed report of a very interesting lecture given by Rev Father Regnault, S.M., last week, as published by the Waimate Times:—

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described the system under which the convict population were governed, and while it had much to recommend it, yet there was a great weakness in the system, inasmuch as the young lad of 17 was placed in company with the most hardened crimical, thus making reform almost an impossibility. The convicts had a great antipathy to work, and rather than do any, they inflicted injuries upon themselves so that they would be sent to the hospital. The only punishment that had any terrors for them was imprisonment to a dark cell with a diet of bread and water and a bare board for a bed. The lecturer caused considerable amusement by the bumorous way in which he described how the convicts made a proposal to marry, for on the island there is a settlement of women as well as of men, and these men and women are permitted to marry if they feel so disposed -that is when they have served their terms of imprisonment. There is a fine cathedral, several churches, including a Presbyterian church, on the island, the latter being the only church besides the Roman Catholic represented in the settlement. The natives gave the party a hearty welcome. They have been brought under the it fluence of Christianity, and it was in connection with the jubilee of its introduction among them that the visit to New Caledonia was made. The Island of Pines, some 70 miles from New Caledonia, was visited and described, as was also one of the islands of the New Hebrides group. Fiji was lik wise visited, and the lecturer gave a particularly interesting description of the Fijian and his made of and the various customs which prevailed among them. He described the peculiar manner in which they painted their bodies, sometimes one side black and another red, or striped red and blue alternately, while some were altogether black with the exception of a red painted nose. But the glory of the Fijian was his hair, in which be took a special pride. The lecturer referred to the products of the island, and pointed out the almost unending uses to which the cocoanut tree was put by the natives. The manner in which the kava (the whiskey of all these islanders) was made was also amusingly described. But we have not space enough to refer to half of what the lecturer mentioned in his two hours' descript on of what he saw on his trip; all we can aid is that the lecture was both interesting and instructive throughout, the audience marking their appreciation at its conclusion by a hearty vote of thanks."

The proceeds of the above lecture are to be dev tel to the parochial school fund. There has been a notable falling off in the payment of school fees this year. In the case of some families this is due, no doubt, to the bad season we have experienced, but I feel bound to say that in many cases it is due to gross carelysaness. deficiency had become so great as to cause our zealous parish priest to speak last Sunday in rather forcib'e terms to the defaulting parents, He urged them to make the necessary sacrifices to enable the devoted Sisters of St Joseph to continue the work of educating their children with the success, which until now, has attended their noble and se.fsacrificing efforts. I have often heard of the generosity of the Waimate people, but when I consider that more than one half of the parents do not pay their school fees, I full to see where the generosity comes in. It is, indeed, sad to know that when we have such splendid schools organized and conducted by those who want in return merely the necessaries of life, there are parents who, while taking the fullest advantage of all the opportunities afforded to them, contribute nothing or make no sacrifice, however small, to assist the cause of Catholic education, and to prevent our children from hising their faith. I hope that the appeal which was made to the Catholics of this parish last Sunday will be responded to, and that there will be no cause for complaint in the future. It is the intention of flev Father Regnault to deliver his interesting lecture in some of the country districts, and I hope that all those who can be present will make an effort to go and a-sist in so noble a cause. The lecture, as you will see by the above report, is certainly well worth hearing, and bristles with anecdotes both humourous and pathetic.

I hear that our new presbytery will soon be commenced, the tenders are to be received on Weinesday next. I may be able to tell you more on a future occasion.

The pedestrian Grander, who walked over 14 000 kilometres in America and Europe, is about to embark for Africa, where he intends to endeavour to walk from Oran to Timbuctoo, crossing the dreaded Sahara. On the way he will be accompanied by ten picket men, non-commissioned officers, representing both services.

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At San Sebastian, the watering-place where the Spauish Royal Family passes the summer they are now organising an Infant Army to welcome the young King on his arrival. Young Alfonso, mounted on a little pony, will review the army, which consists of 400 boys of from five to eight years of age. It has been rectuited from the Barque Provinces—the infant soldiers wear a blue uniform with red cap, and carry small guns manufactured for them. All classes are represented, from the general's son to the workman's son. The chief of the corps of sappers and miners is a boy of five years of age. A band composed of fifty boys of ages ranging from five to seven, is taking lessons, and can already play the National Anthem and some other popular marches—The miniature army is composed of six companies, each with its captain and heutenints.

# Anblin Notes.

(From Coutemporaries.)

SIR CHARLES GAVAN DUFFY, after a visit of a couple of weeks, has left London for Nice. The veteran does not hope ever to see London again, or, at least, he has no intention of paying it another visit, and so he hade a last farewell to his most intimate friends in the metropolis. He presided at a mosting of the committee of the Irish Interary Society (of which he is president), at Bleomsbury Mansion, and when he unexpice elly announced that it was probably the last the members would see of him, and tendered his resignation as president, an affecting scene took place. He presented the committee with an interesting collection of autographs and literary relies and curies which he collected in the course of his life. The collection will be exhibited in the coming winter, and, if deemed advisable will be afterwards sold for the benefit of the New Irish Library.

The Armsch Orange papers, in treating of the recent rowdyism in Armsch, as expected, corroborate and add to the mis-statements which have already been circulated in the Orange Press. These insignificant productions would not really be worth noticing were it not to expose the means they employ in endeavouring to blacken the Catholics of Armsch in the eyes of the public and to create bad feeling in the city. The Armsch Guardian, a Protestant organ, to its credit, admits that "the Presbyterians of Armsch bad the fullest confidence that their children would not be interfered with and their anticipations were correct." It goes on to say that "not a hand twas raised towards a child or one of the party." And again—"Those ladies who did not wait for the procession, but brought their children on, were met with kindly wishes that a pleasant day had been spent, an i not a single word said to annoy them."

The Unionists of North Antrim have thought it better to ask Mr Connor to retain the sea, as he was willing to do if they so desired. They have shown much good sense in this, though, to be sure, small thanks are due to the same party for preferring to hide the political rags into which their garments would be certain to be well torn. Then, again, Mr Cosnor will continue to make a much more respectable representative than any one the party would be likely to get to step into his shoes. This is the great and powerful Unionist party, you know!

"Mr Healy was warmly congratulated in the lobby," says the Star, "upon the excellence of his speech on the Evicted Tenants' Bill. One of his colleagues was so carried away by enthusiasm as to declare that it was the finest oratorical effort which had been heard at St S ephen's since Mr Gladstone's valedictory address. Whether this was so or not there is no doubt the member for North Louth was never heard to botter advantage, and the fact is the more noteworthy because he followed directly upon Mr Chamberlain. As a rule there is a general exodus from the House when Mr Chamberlain sits down, Everybody waited to hear Mr Healy, and the lobby was descrited until he had finished. As soon as he could escape from the feliciations of his friends, Mr Healy made for his favourite corner in the library to dispose of his correspondence for the evening. At all times the personification of coolness, he never seems more self-possessed than after a speccasful coup.

Lady Aberdeen's report of the result of the investigations made by the Irish Industries Association into the condition of the people of Achi.l shou'd stir the public, whose sympathy was roused by the recent desaster, to help forward the work of permanent improvement in the is and. The deputation from the association visited the island to a e whether something could not be done to provide employment for the prople-and especially for the young wom n and girls-in their own homes. They " have c me to the sad conclusion that it is practically uselees to endiavour to introduce any home injustries with any chance of success, under the present circumstances of the people," Yet Lady Abordeen does not despair. The present is a moment when an attempt to change those conditions that make the outlook appear so black would, in her opinion, probably meet with success. She sees in the representative Mansion House Committee & body that could well achieve what is required, if it be properly supported by the public; and she entreats a generous response to the appeal of the committee. "A strong pull and a long pull and a pull altogether is needed, if a real and abiding change in the condition of the island as a whole is to be effected." The letter is one more service rendered to the peasantry of the West by the Countess of Aberdeen; and we are certain her testimony in favour of the objects of the Mansion House Committee will secure widesp eat support throughout the United Kingdom

The Irish Literary Society, London, which continues to progress very satisfactorily, is the subject of many enlogistic paragraphs in the London Press. The Civilian, the organ of the Civil Service very pleased to see that the Civil Service is strongly represented in the society. "Of the officers," it declares, "the hon secretary, Mr, A. P. Graves, son of the Bishop of Limerick and author of the renowned song, "Father O'Flynn,

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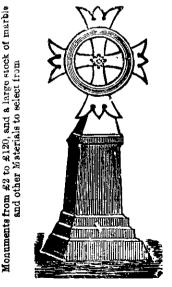
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The committee of the Royal Humane Society, London, on Saturday announced its rewards to several persons in Ireland in cases of distinguished gallantry in saving life brought under its notice this month. Those entitled to and who will receive the rewards are- Murtagh Magginnis, 53, chief officer of coastguard, and James Costick, com: missioned boatman, for saving Daniel Scagrave and Michael Dempsey, the latter, a lad of 16, having endangered his own life in attempting to save that of his companion. The two latter were bathing at Ringsend, Dublin, on June 14th, and Seagrave, being unable to swim, and having ventured out too far, was in imminent danger of drowning. One was rescued in three quarters of an hour, and the other after three hours' exertions, the Society method of resuscitation being adopted, eventually with success. Robert M'Keague, Isaac M'Keague, and Michael M'Geoghegan for, with the assistance of John Murray, saving John Keys, who bathing at Bundoran, County Tyrone, was carried out to sea by a heavy ground swell and rescned with great difficulty; John Wellington, 41, fisherman, for saving three men whose boat was upset while under sail at Howth, County Dublin, June 9; John Quilter, 26, fisherman, for seving J. Fitzgerald, 50, whose boat was upset in the River Cashon, County Kerry, June 19; and John Hughes, 22, for saving a child named Hamilton in the canal basin, Coalisland, County Tyrone, June 22,

Clanricarde has a defender. The fitness of things is not greatly disturbed, however for the defender is an Irish judge. In an epistle to the Times, appropriately dated "Kildare street Club, July 30," Mr O'Connor Morris corrects Mr Healy's statement that Clanricarde has not been in Ireland for 20 years. "His lordship a very few years ago gave very important evidence before Chief Baron Palles in the action which Mr Frank Joyce, his late agent brought against him." Judge O'Connor Morris thinks it "curious" that the fact should have escaped Mr Healy's memory. But Mr Healy was talking of landlords visiting Ireland to discharge their duties as landlords, not of their visiting Ireland under compulsion from a writ of libel. It is more "curious" that a panegyrist of Clanricarde should revive the memory of the trial, and that Judge Morris should have forgotten Mr ex-Attorney-General Atkinson's description of Clanricarde's work in Woodford. Judge Morris was lately also the panegyrist of Cromwell. He evidently inclines to heroes that do what Mr Atkinson called "the Devil's work." Meantime, Judge Morris' expression of opinion that Clanric arde, who has estates in England as well as Ireland, has "set an example to the landowners of both countries by the moderation of his ren's "is interesting, coming from a judge one of whose duties it is to administer the Land Act. Heaven help the tenant that goes to Judge Morris to get relieved of a rackrent. Decency might have kept the judge from explaining his standard of "moderation."

Mr E. C. Houston, late of the late I L P.U., has published a pamphlet on the old subject of " Parne lism and Crime." we can discover Mr Houston is more incensed against the Times than against the Irish members. The following extract is surely a little hard on the memory of the innocent Mr Macdonald :- " In the year 1886, unaided by any syndicate, or any combined support whatever, I set to work to make up a case for inquiry. The popular delusion heretofore has been that I had some wild and madly ambitious notion of getting sufficient evidence together to allow of Mr Parnell and his friends being placed in the dock on the capital charge of murder. Not at all. The idea has only to be mentioned to be scouted. I set about the matter as a politician, not as a policeman. What I wanted to prove was why Mr Parnell and his friends had escaped in 1883, and what I was anxious to discuss in 1887, if I had been allowed to work the matter in my own way, I am just as really to discuss to-day. The Times, however, would make the attack in a certain fashion, and they lost. When I brought them the first batch of Pigott letters in 1886, withholding all information from them save that the documents came through a tainted source, I suggested certain methods of procedure based upon the knowledge I had. They adopted their own line of action, however, and instead of holding the letters as a force in reserve, they printed the famous Parnell one in fac simile in The letters, in my view, were only the basis of an February, 1887. investigation, and as such I handed them over to the Times. When on the eve of the publication of the first letter they discovered the source through which the documents had been procured, and seemed | ing the extraction of a tooth. Read-[ADVT.

upset at my not having informed them fully, I simply retorted that that was no part of our understanding; that the documents had been supplied as a sort of signpost to enquiry without any guarantee of proof on my part, and I saked for them back, as no consideration had pissed between us; but they would not give them up. adopted the policy which subsebuently led to such a miserable fiasco."

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Under date of March 16th, 1782, a lady writes that for twenty years she always felt low-spirited. Now, what is meant by "spirits" in this sense is a condition of the mind in respect of our being cheerful, happy, enjoying our surroundings, taking delight in all sortes of minor matters, sad, in a word, making the most of life ourselves and helping others to make the most of it. Well, then, it is both a glorious and a profitable thing to be always in good spirits; I wish I could be myself.

But I can't; anyhow I'm not. Neither is anybody. Yet why not! What makes our hearts sink down like plummet, and then rise like a cork?

Before we answer let us read the rest of the letter. The writer says: "For twenty years I have suffered from liver complaint and indigestion. I was constantly tired, weak, and languid. My skin was a sallow colour, and I had great pain at the back and shoulders.

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No philosopher has yet been able to say what is the exactrelation of the mild to the body. This much, however experience constantly assures us of; that it is very intimate and that the condition of the mental faculties depends upon that of the body. As birds sing when the sun shines, and are dumb in the dark, so the spirits and mental powers rise and express themselves when we are in health, and are dull and torpid when the body is under the weight of pain and disease. And to know that is to know all we require to act unon.

Everything, money, influence, and every form of success, depends so largely upon health that by universal consent we don't expect good service from those who are ill.

And illness, nine times in ten, means precisely what Mrs Cutler suffered from for such a long and weary period—indigestion and dyspepsia—the ailment cured (when the doctors are done with their

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rance or obstruction.

The Journal des Debats in contradicting the report of Cardinal Ledochowski's death, recalled the fact that a similar report was published about two years ago, and asked what could have been the object of those who started these canards. The Moniteur de Rome thinks Freemasons were the culprits.

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