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**Mayo.**—General W. J. Sewell is among the new Senators elected to the United States Senate. He is a native of Ballina, County Mayo, where he was born sixty years ago. He served through the Civil War, was twice wounded in battle, and was breveted a Brigadier-General for distinguished service.

**Meath.**—The Hon and Right Rev Mgr Talbot, recently appointed provost of the Chapter of Westminster by the Pope, is a son of Lord Talbot de Malahide. His mother was a Miss Lambert, of Beauparc, County of Meath. He was in the army, retired, and subsequently received into the Catholic Church and given Holy Orders by Cardinal Wiseman.

A courageous act was performed in Oldcastle on a recent market day. A horse and trap, the property of Patrick Murphy, of Ross, was observed coming along the street at a breakneck pace, and no person in charge. As the animal approached the corner of Mr Porter's establishment, Constable Orr, who, with Sergeant Dowd, was on duty at that place, at great personal risk placed himself in front of the flying animal and succeeded in grasping the reins, at the same time administering a sharp blow of the baton on its head. With the assistance of Sergeant Dowd the horse was pulled up, and handed over to its owner.

**Queen's County.**—J. J. Aird, auctioneer, and secretary of the Maryborough Branch of the Federation, has been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for Queen's County. In no county in Ireland, perhaps, does more need exist for the reformation of the Bench. There are about eighty magistrates and of these, including those newly appointed, not more than fourteen are Catholics, and not more than five or six are Nationalists. Mr Aird will be a very desirable acquisition to the Maryborough Bench. It is also announced that W. H. Cobe, chairman of Mountmellick Board of Guardians, and F. Gowing, of Kilminchy, Maryborough, have been appointed magistrates. Both are Nationalists.

**Sligo.**—The premises of Patrick Kennedy, High street, Sligo, were recently burned. Attention was first attracted to the fire by the screams of two young ladies, Misses Henry, who occupied the third story. In their efforts to escape the intense heat and smoke they got on the window sill, and with difficulty could be restrained from jumping to the street. At length ladders were procured, and the girls were conveyed at great personal risk by their rescuers to the ground. The conduct of Messrs Lockhart and Smith, who went up the ladders through the smoke and flame, is deserving of the highest commendation. The shop and back premises were completely gutted. The damage is not covered by insurance.

**Tyrone.**—According to Rev A. A. Lambing, rector of St James' Church, Wilkinsburg, Pa., who is an authority on Catholic historical topics, the priest who erected the first church at Pittsburg, away back in the earlier part of this century, was Rev Charles P. Maguire, a native of Dungannon, County Tyrone. He was born in 1767, going after his ordination to America, and dying in 1833 in the city where he had the honour of erecting the first Catholic church.

**Wicklow.**—The executors of the will of the late Charles Stewart Parnell have decided to destroy his political correspondence. The letters cover the period of the Home Rule agitation, and are of value as matters of history.

Andrew Haftas, the last veteran of the Greek war of liberty of 1821, died in Athens lately at the age of 116. One of the streets in Athens is named after him, and his funeral was a public one. He had often expressed the wish to live till 1901, in order to be able to say that he had seen three centuries.

Mr Gawne, of Dunedin (says the *Southland Times* of April 13 1891), has just been on a visit to Invercargill to push business a little. Not that it wants much canvassing, for since he commenced the manufacture of his Worcestershire Sauce, the demand has kept pace with his capacity to supply it. He makes a really good thing, indistinguishable from the famous Lea and Perrin's, which he places upon one's table at a much lower price, and trusts to that to secure a steadily growing trade. Those who have not yet tried the Colonial article should put their prejudices aside for a time and test the question with a bottle or two.—ADVT.

## CATHOLIC NEWS.

THE Catholics won a most notable victory at the municipal elections in Turin, carrying their entire list.

It seems to have been definitely decided that the Consistory will be held in the early part of September.

A large sum of money has been sent to Rome by the Emperor of Austria as a contribution towards the foundation of a new Greek-Ruthenian College.

Cardinal Rampolla, Secretary of State to the Holy Father, has written to the Cardinal-Vicar, in the name of his Holiness, a letter urging that the Catholics of Rome should actively prepare for the next municipal elections in the Eternal City.

The Bishop of Dijon in a pastoral letter ordered public prayers for the soul of the late M. Carnot on the 24th June. The sacred writings, says the Bishop, speak of prayer for the dead as good and holy. He alludes to the example given by the noble Madame Carnot in having a Funeral Mass said at Notre Dame.

Considerable excitement has been caused in Canadian political circles by an announcement made by Mgr Gravel, the Catholic Bishop of Nicolet, that Lord Carnarvon, when in office as Colonial Secretary in the Tory Government, had given an assurance in his own name and in the name of the Queen that the Catholics of Manitoba would have their separate schools.

The Princess of the House of Liechtenstein who is entering the Benedictine Monastery at Prague to take the veil, is partly English, her mother having been Miss Mary Fox, the adopted daughter of Lord and Lady Holland, who married Prince Aloys of Liechtenstein some years ago. The Prince lost his wife in 1878.

At the age of ninety-five years, fifty-seven of which have been spent in the service of God, Sister M. Ellen West is said to be slowly passing to her rest at the Convent of the Oblates of Providence, Baltimore, U.S.A. This venerable religious is known as the oldest professed Sister of any order in the States, if not in the world, and at her golden jubilee, May 6, 1888, Cardinal Gibbons crowned her with a wreath of gold.

Mgr Lagrange, Bishop of Chartres, died recently. He deceased prelate was vicar-general and biographer of Mgr Dupanloup. Mgr Lagrange was one of the most learned of the French episcopate, and a strong advocate of practical reforms among the clergy. He was a personal friend of Leo XIII, who recently gave the Bishop his strong approval for laying the convent of false visionaries in his diocese under interdiction.

A novel ceremony for Scotland was performed on the launching of the Urania—a large and exceedingly handsome steam yacht—from the yard of Messrs D. and W. Henderson, Partick. The vessel was blessed by Right Rev John A. Maguire, D.D., Bishop-Auxiliary of the archdiocese of Glasgow, and as the vessel left the ways she was named by Miss Haynes, daughter of the Spanish Consul.

The *Daily News* says:—"Since the recent shocks of earthquake there is scarcely a street in Florence in which there are not lighted shrines, or 'tabernacles,' as they are called, containing figures of the Madonna and Saints. In some of the streets there are as many as four or five of these shrines. In front of the images are rows of candles burning, and also a hanging lamp which burns throughout the night. Garlands of evergreens and flowers are placed round the shrines, and in many cases hang suspended across the streets."

The health of the Archbishop of Paris is so precarious that it is believed that a coadjutor will shortly be appointed, with right of succession. Cardinal Richard was himself the coadjutor of his predecessor, Cardinal Guibert. The name of Mgr Pelge, Bishop of Poitiers, is mentioned as the candidate likely to be accepted by the Pope and the French Government. The Bishop was formerly Vicar-General of Paris. Cardinal Bourricu, Bishop of Rodez, will, it is stated, be transferred to the vacant archbishopric of Toulouse.

Monsieur Kabis, Apostolic Pro-Vicar of the Cop's in Egypt has forwarded to the Pope particulars of an extensive movement in favour of a return to Catholic unity, which has been set on foot

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