

Irish News.

(From Exchanges.)

Antrim.—Miss A. Louise Burns, who was awarded a bronze medal last year in the Royal Academy of Music, London, for harmony, has, at the recent distribution of prizes at St James's Hall, London, been awarded three medals—a silver for harmony, a bronze for solo singing, and a bronze for sight singing, being a medal for each of the studies she went it for. She is a daughter of Mr Walter Burns, music-seller and publisher, Belfast.

Carlow.—A South Carlow correspondent of the *Carlow Nationalist* wrote a little before Mid-August: "Harvesting operations are at an advanced state here, and threshing has commenced. Cutting has been very successful and weather all that could be desired. The grain will be a long way behind last year in weight and quality, except in cool and hilly districts, which are well-favoured this season. Barley is a fair crop, and the grain, if not strong, of fine quality. I have heard no complaints of wheat, which looks well, but is not sown to any extent. The Champion potato is very good in quality, though the root will not carry the promise of a month ago. On the whole the season is favourable as regards weather, but a very medium quality of product is likely to be obtained."

Cork.—The Cork Harbour Commissioners had before them, on August 10, the question of providing an increased depth of water in the North Channel of the Lee so as to enable vessels of the principal shipping companies to reach their berths at all states of the tide. The expenditure on the proposed work would be over £13,000.

devotedness of their teachers under an excellent system. The honors lists, succeeding the return of the passer, complete the test on which judgment is to be formed, and on this St Columb's stands out in gratifying prominence. Patrick Semple, whose career as a competitive student is phenomenal, again holds the premier place. In the matriculation honours he has won the most coveted laurels. In first-class honours in Latin, Semple is at the head of the local successes, and with him, next in order, is Patrick Devlin, a fellow-student of St Columb's. In the second class three of St Columb's boys are included—first John McKenna, and with him John Connolly, and again in the same class another John McKenna. In Greek, of the first place of first class, again Semple is the possessor; honours in English are his alone in the first class, and, moreover, he has carried off the first class £24 exhibition. In the second-class exhibition, £12, Patrick Devlin, of St Columb's is one of the three local successful candidates. . . . We have here to add the name of Patrick Canning, St Columb's, in the B.A. degree pass-list. St Columb's is now only thirteen years in the arena. It owes its existence to the pockets of the clergy and people, and has no aid from the State; and yet brief as its time and handicapped as it is in the matter of endowment, it is able to compete successfully not only in the intermediate, but in the most advanced stages of education.

Dublin.—Ball, John, left Lancashire 36 years ago for New Zealand; last heard of in New South Wales 22 years ago; sought for by his sister. Reply to the *Freeman* office.

Hughes, Mrs Elizabeth (maiden name Murphy), last heard of in Adelaide 12 years ago; supposed to have gone to Barnathwartha, Victoria, S. Australia; sought for by her sister. Reply to the *Freeman* office.

On Monday a somewhat exciting scene took place at the shore end of the East Pier, Kingstown. For some time past a piece of

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After a discussion it was agreed unanimously to carry out the work. This will mean the deepening of the bed of the river and the extension of the breadth of quays by ten feet by the erection of wharves opposite the premises of the Cork Steampacket Company and Clyde Shipping Company.

Flavin, Denis (sailor), left Bostellon, County Cork, for Australia nine years ago; last heard of in Melbourne in 1885; sought for by a friend. Reply to the *Dublin Freeman's* office.

A number of the Derry citizens propose to testify in some substantial manner their admiration of Lady Aberdeen's movement in behalf of the Irish cottagers, and are collecting funds for that purpose. Bishop O'Doherty subscribed £5. He wrote: "Lady Aberdeen has set a noble example, and her efforts in behalf of the cottage industries of Ireland well deserve to be seconded. I am glad to see that many Irish ladies are lending her valuable assistance, and I hope that still more will join her movement, and thereby bring to many a poor family the comforts to which they have been strangers so long."

Long, Henry, left Coleraine 19 years ago for Dunedin, New Zealand; last heard of 15 years ago; sought for by his sister. Reply to the *Dublin Freeman's* office.

St Columb's Catholic College has once again brought distinction and honour to Derry, says the *Derry Journal*. The results of the Royal University Examinations are, so far as this city is concerned, the record of another achievement in an already brilliant course of successes. Year upon year, as opportunity follows opportunity, the students of St Columb's pluck the very flower of the prizes, and the college holds steadily onward in an exceptionally creditable career—a pride to the Catholic people of this city and diocese, and an eloquent testimony to the talent of our Irish Catholic youth and the

waste ground at the end of the pier has been used by open-air preachers. Last night there was a dual entertainment, the preachers taking possession of one portion of the ground and an enterprising conjuror, known as Professor Zeman, appearing at the opposite corner. The juvenile portion of the crowd hissed and hooted the preachers. This seemed to exasperate those who were listening to the preacher, who complained to the police of the interruptions. The police refused to interfere except the complainants made specific charges. Much excitement ensued. At this point Harbour-Master Foote appeared upon the scene, and ordered the 'professor' to take down his light and clear off.

Galway.—Mr St George R. Johnstone, of Rathcline, Lanesborough, County Longford, has given his tenants on the Ballagh estate, County Galway, a reduction of 15 per cent off the judicial rents, and has further given to each of his tenants on this estate twenty-five stone of the choicest and newest varieties of seed potatoes.

Hughes, John, left Galway 19th July, 1875; last heard of about five years ago in Charters' Towers; sought for by his sister. Reply to the *Dublin Freeman* office.

Martyn, Michael (blacksmith), left Bohernmore, Galway, in 1884; last heard of at Mrs Bowen's Arms Hotel, Oxford street, Paddington, Sydney, N.S.W.; sought for by his mother. Reply to the *Dublin Freeman* office.

Kerry.—Crowley, John, left Milltown, County Kerry, in 1875, landed in Rockhampton, Queensland, per sailing ship *Lady Douglas*; last heard of at Temora diggings, New South Wales, in 1880; sought for by his brother. Reply the *Dublin Freeman* office.

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