

Morning Star and Catholic Messenger, OREGONIAN SUNDAY FEBRUARY 20 1876. THE DE PROFUNDIS BELL. The day was dead. From purple summits faded...

Among the many beautiful and pious cantos of Catholic countries none appeals with more tender solemnity to the pitying heart than that of the De Profundis bell. While the shades of night are gathering...

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS. OUR IRISH LETTER. DUBLIN, Jan. 24th, 1876. Mr. A. M. Sullivan, M. P., and the Benchers...

It was owing to his having to attend some of these perfectly useless and unmeaning lectures that Mr. Sullivan was obliged at the last moment to stay away from a Home Rule meeting in Belfast last night.

It is our painful duty to record the death of Rev. Father John O'Neil, which occurred on the 7th inst., in Pio Nono College. The deceased had been promoted to the Holy Order of Priesthood last Friday, being then to all appearances in the last stage of consumption.

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way, Ballinasloe, Gort, Loughrea, Athenny, Drogheda, Dundalk, Arklow, Wicklow, Dangan, Carlow, Athy, and several other places of importance. The Executive Committee are also maturing a plan for securing special petitions from working men...

The campaign has also been carried into England, concerning which the Banner says: Last week the campaign in England was opened by a great public meeting, held in the Town Hall, Birmingham.

And it goes to mention that similar meetings are to take place immediately in Liverpool, Newcastle-on-Tyne, Shields, Bolton, Manchester, Bradford, Sheffield, Leeds, Bristol, Bath, Leicester, Norwich and Exeter.

Finally, in two months a sum of no less than £1,000 has been contributed to the treasury of the Sunday Closing Association. This is not bad work, and I am very inclined to hope for a successful result.

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Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of the Sisters of Mercy in Little Rock, Ark. On the 31st of February, 1850, just twenty-five years ago to-day, there arrived in this city ten Sisters of the Order of Mercy...

When the Sisters entered upon their new field in the wilderness of Arkansas they had great difficulties to meet. They, without means, were to establish an institution which needed the aid and co-operation of a charitable public to build up and sustain.

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THE LEE MEMORIAL. Valentine's recumbent statue of Gen. Robert E. Lee has been completed at a cost of \$15,000. The payment of which is now secured. The statue is to be placed above the grave of Lee at Lexington, Va., and enclosed in a suitable structure, the cost of which is estimated at \$10,000.

ANSWERING LETTERS.—A great many people in this country are shamefully negligent about answering letters. Nothing is more annoying. In European countries it is regarded as the height of ill-breeding to allow a letter, which needs a reply, to go unanswered.

Dr. Guthrie, a famous physician, wrote as follows of the work of intemperance: "I have heard the wail of children crying for bread, and their mother, in vain, trying to give them; I have seen the babe pulling the dry as if the starved mother had been dead."

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