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## PHILO OELTS.

The Philo Celtic picnic at Scheutzen Park, on Sept. 6th was a grand success notwithstandin $r$ the National League's demonstration coming off on the same day.

The last monthly reunion, on Thurs lay, 27 was the largest the society has yet had. Thirty nine new members have joined during the last month. This large increase is partly due to the very interesting entertainments given by the society before and after the class exercises, consisting of singing, with piano accompaniment, recitations etc. Mr. Lacey has made splendid progress ith the singing class, and Mr. Finn, the president, is getting the violin class into working order. On the whole, there is a great inducement to the youth of both sexes to join the society. They will be taught to speak, read, and write the language of their ancestry; the agreeable accomplishments of vocal and instrumental music-the music of their country, and an opportunity to mix in the society of the most accomplished and patriotic of their country people. Fathers and mothers should bring their children to the hall and encourage them to join the society as they will see nothing there but what will be to their social advancement, the culture of the language and music of Ireland. Though we may not bave the wealthiest of our Irish-American fellow citizens enrolled in our ranks, we certainly have the most enlightened and patriotic. It has at all times been acknowledged that those who command a knowledge of more than one language are intellectually surerior to the mono-liuguist. Phile Celts can speak, read, and write at least two languages tolerably well, which fact we would like to impress on those of our countrymen who would be stylishWe would also call their attention to what the society has accomplished. -Firstit has produced this journal-the first ever published in the Irish Language, has taught hundreds to lisp the language of their forefathers, and is teaching the pleasing accomplishments of vocal and instrumental music to the youth of both sexes.

Now, you wealthy Irish-Americans of Brooklyn what are you doing to elevate the social position of your race ?

Gilgannon Expresident Gilgannon is still attentive to the interests of Philo Celts.

Mr: Ourden is sure not to miss a meeting of the society:

The Hon: D. Burns has taken a lively interest in the affairs of the society: He was the first to hand out a handsome donation towards the pay. ment of our piano, as did also Counsello J. C. McGuire, Messrs: Cassin, Courtney, Breen, and J, A, Carey, of the St Patrick's Society'. We hope other members of the society will follow their examplé.

Messrs; Graham, (vice president) Heany Horan Gubbins, Earley, Burke, Hyland, Walsh, Sloan, Manihan, Kinsella, Smith, Ford, Lennon \& :\% are apt pupils of Mr. Lacey's vocal class:

M J Costello gives a run in. now and again:
Miss Nora T: Costello upholds the credit of the society by her excellent rendition of 1rish song and music.

The Misses Dunlevy, Miss F': O'N: Murray, and Miss N:T. Costello, are our most advanced Gaelio scholars.
We are pleased to see that our accomplished speaker, Miss Nellie Crowley has returned from the country; as has also, Mr Morrisey and family:

Miss Lavey's vocal and instrumental class is well attended by the Misses Gill, Guiran(2), Finnigan, Gunniug, Kelly, Brennan, Kane, Carley, Duffy, Mulligan, Gallagher,(3) McCaffrey, Reilly, Carroll Cassidy, Kearney and Grady:

The Misses Donnelly and Miss B Orowley are quiteanadlition to our rocal class-being already accomplished in that regard.
Miss Dwyer has been pretty attentive to the class exercises.
The usualattendance at the weekly classes of the society is about 50 . This is a poor representation out of a roll of some seven hundred names!
Mr . Kyne thinks the society has never been in better working order-so do we.

W Sarsfield Casey has not been seen in a long time. Neither has M Russell.

Mr Tarpey, an old member who had been absent these three years turned up the other night:

We would like to know where are Miss McGinly Mrs Smith, Mrs Creagan, and Messrs O'Brien, Deely, Archer and other active members of the past:

N Y Philo Celts are very busy at present with Irish music \&c. Hon D Burns has started a new school iu N Y under the wing of the National League: That is as it should be: We expect to hear favorable reports from Philo Celts throughout the country Pbila. Nashua \&c: The movement is deeply rooted. Let all help to propagate the Geal the representative, yet produce, of the movement:

The New York Society for the Pre. servation of the Irish Language held their fifth annual reunion at Clarendon Hall on Wednesday evening, Oct. ober 3rd. The aff air was a grand, suc. cess and the aurangements which con. tributed to it reflect great credit on those who had it in charge. Seeing the exertions that are being made in the cities, we hope our rural friends will help the cause along.

The Gaelic Alphabet.

| Irish. | Roman. | Sound. | Trish. | Roman. Sound, |  |
| :---: | :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :--- |
| A | a | aw | m | m | emm |
| b | b | bay | $\eta$ | n | enn |
| c | c | kay | o | o | oh |
| o | d | dhay | p | p | pay |
| e | e | ay | $\mathfrak{n}$ | r | arr |
| F | f | eff | $r$ | s | ess |
| j | g | gay | c | t | thay |
| 1 | i | ee | u | u | oo |
| l | l | ell |  |  |  |

SECOND BOOK.
Sound of the Aspirated Letters, ๒. C. ©. F. 5. थ1. P. S. ©.

Secondary or Aspirated form.---

An approximation to the sound is given at the head of each exercise.

The consonants have a broad or a slender sound when immediately preceded or followed by a broad or a slender vowel. A. o. u. are broad, e and ${ }_{j}$, slender vowels.

Exercise I. 0.
o broad sounds nearly like " $w$ " in wool, as dur (woor), your. Between two "short broad" vowels it is sounded softly, much like "w" in power, as 5 ABaf (gower), a goat.
0 slender sounds exactly like " v ", as bj , (vee', was; final it sounds "v."

Vocabulary.
${ }^{4} 5 \mathrm{ajb}$ b, at, or with, you, agg-iv.
${ }^{0} \mathrm{j}$, was, were,
our, your,
out, black,
riop-buan, steadfast, ${ }_{5 A b a r, \text { a }}$ goat, buaŋ, lasting. сали, саянд, a friend, 54 rb , rough, leabar, a book, leand, a child, $\mathrm{j} b \mathrm{~b}$, with you, rib, you, ye, earb, a bull,
vee.
woor.
dhuv.
feer-woon.
gower.
boo.un.
carra, carrud.
garruv.
lhower.
lhann.uv.
liv.
shiv.
thor.uv.

1. 2.ท 5 abar. 2. capt oub. 3. of rjo 5ant. 4. bi ré oub. 5. of an 5abak
oub. 6. bf leadar ajajb. 7. $\tau$ áan leadar ajajb. 8. bur learb. 9. cara

2. The goat. 2, a black bull. 3. ye were rough. 4. he was black. 5 . the goat was black. 6. you had a book. 7. you have the book. 8. your child. 9. a steadfast friend. 10. you had a goat.

## Exercise II. ©́.

$\dot{\text { c broad has always a deep guttur- }}$ ai sound. The loc, "lough," as generally pronounced in Ireland, will afford an example.
$\dot{\text { C }}$ slender has a smooth guttural sound, as in críci, a country, pronounced like "creegh."
$\dot{\mathrm{C}}$ slender when final is pronounced very faintly, as in oefce, ten.
These souuds must be learned by ear as they do not exist in English.

Sometimes the slender sound of $\dot{\mathrm{c}}$ is almost exactly like $h$.

Aċe, but, amaci, out, arreac, in, caoc. blind, cloć, a stone, clociajue, a stone-cutter. ciusam, to me, unto me, Dejć, ten, eaci, a steed, Flaci, a raven, Fice, twenty. Fior-ċara, a true friend. laoc. a hero, loć, a lake, luć, a mouse, bejr, bring. take, сищ, put,

1. laoć 7 eac. 2. vejć 7 faċe. 3.
 5. $\tau \bar{a}$ ay loć oub, 6. oj aj luć caoċ. 7. cujf $\Delta \eta$ luċ $\Delta \mathrm{m}$ ać. $8^{\prime}$ bejr cloć arтеас́ ċu5am. 9. ır cloćajne é. 10. eã Fбог-с்ara ajam.
2. A warrior and a steed. 2. ten \& twenty, 3. the raven is black. 4. it is not r steed but a raven. 5 . the lake is black, 6. the mouse was blind. 7 . put the mouse out $\&$ bring in a
stone to me．9．he is a stone－cutter． 10．I have a true friend．

## Mr－WARD＇S Letter．

 Oo Ćloठajre ay 亏́aóajl．
 $5 a \eta$ ojoear，＂סen an reaŋ focal， 7 ir сеали，cjallinar aŋ ráó é．Njop cójr oam ajr à áóoar rin japraćc ajr bј்
 ŋо реаŋŋ a ćujn $1 \eta$－oúbać ajn a leرcio






 comajnle a cabajut oam．

 lejajr of a 7 comajnle bejr re oo odao－













 alne boćc mar mé，a bjóear als japrajó é rég a byreáo 7 aŋ reanclurce a cajci－ eáo oroć－mear opm fa m’earbao roj－
 of ċċollać ćumb breado，yi oujทe uaral é 7 ir cuma lom bóeáo a bapamujl






 léj亏jท， 7 ir onoci－ijearamla ajn mujng



 ar 1 亡̇abajne ouje fa tia foclajo remfoo





 cujoeá lejr an oeásj－obajr．Wj’l ré


 †б́ן


 clóóouajlze 1 o－теaŋ5aın ar riŋrear．

Sé reo at oapa papracie oam ċum

 $1 \eta r$ a leatं－ठujlleoj ajn a labajn＇＇paס． ヶијc＂bé Oo ċapajo umial，
 $21 \eta$ Zrím


## 

$\mathfrak{Z}$ Sajo．．－．Za me a rorfoo cúpla lín－

 ＇ᄁolr le me rém a cuin aln m＇ajayo．






 am，le conjŋami Oé， $50 ~ 5$－ċajllfjo riã
 mé rệ mo tjċċjoll， 7 бa oújl ajam


Ir me， 50 mearamull，oo ċapa．
paORUjC G CuNWELI．

 $21 \eta$ oomá lá oeņ oo reać 2iljora，：83．
סo Ćlóóajre aŋ ら்aóajl－
$\mathfrak{2 l}$ Sáoj Óflır：－－－Ir mpan lıom，ma＇r re oo tojl é，focal a paio a o－zaod ay








 ejle oo 亢̇jeaci muŋa y－oeunfjo riac 1aヶrıacio．Ir cój ои́jŋŋ，mar oubjre













 aċt leajo jŋr aŋ obajn ro，azur jrlıjım




 eabajne ajn a o－zoro．Cá oóċċur laj－ on ajam， 50 morsajleóciajo riat ar a
 cao ir rejojr leo．Ir cón ojob亢்a 50


 ＇raŋ ๆ－5a0̇al ŋa bjo்ear aŋŋ．

 ceapt．Ladajr amać，a ciapajoe aך




 majci 50 b－Fијl re faOŋ ajur bocit．


 alla faOj mear fór．
jr me， 50 mearamul，
LeJTjR－SEMN．
Mr．CUMMINGS＇S LETTER．
CHOC NÓ SCJQC்，
Coŋoae Raŋrolph，N．C
てrimato lá focieao oo lútara， 1883.
Clóóajre ay S்aodajl．

亏்odajl ajr reáo bljádaŋa．Uá áciar



 fjor ajr ċeaŋja mo ćjne＇ทa 七á ajam．

Saojleaŋn móraŋ de ŋa h－éjreaŋŋ－


 5a maro j．＂Njon b＇joŋइクá j bejí maro map rad le ja co亢̇uśo aċz a lej－

万－clobuajleaŋn 飞ú aŋ 5aoóal 5 ać reaćz－





Fиajr me pájpeur ŋа Lútára，ajur

 ＂Sjoza ra 记áċajr．＂

סо С்arajo mearamıul，
Comár O＇Commájぶゥ．
Every Irishman should get a copy of the Dublin Gaelic Journal，its price is only six shillings a year．It and the GaEL are the only papers published in the Irish Language．

2ฟ S1seq ra શiputulk． しеaŋてá。．
Collated by E．O＇KEEFE．N．Y．P．C．S．
2dár oor ŋa m－boċe oo ćeapas ŋa flajcit math raojrreacte！



$\mathfrak{2 l \eta \dot { 1 }} \mathbf{\text { Callleać－}}$
 ＇na anla mearajn oany preaba oo léjm any？


$2 \mathfrak{2 1}$ Sjoza．
 Hó már áje é jo d．Fadajin cara ceant cojcjor yo lae ar；
 $\mathfrak{2 l c i t ~ l e ~ e a j l a ~ m o ~ m a r l u j s ~ a 丂 и ̆ ~ o n t e a r b a ~ m o ~ b e ́ l l e ; ~}$ Fana me ra m－bajle ajs reeala ya oéfrce．．．．

2！ $\mathfrak{y}$ Ćajlleać．






21ף Sjoza．


Cjonur a jeobaci bol亏 bociz folami aon rarain ain ？ b＇户́eânn lyomra cona mo poza＇r mo mıăla



$2 \mathfrak{i n}$ Čajlleać．


 oo rınís é，



$$
\begin{aligned}
& \text { A סjoŋna. } \\
& 2 \mathfrak{2 \eta} \text { Sjoza. }
\end{aligned}
$$

No zaftujin ciusam Peadaf ajf aot cor，
 Oà dejȯeać ré plae le cajlleać jaŋ orra jaŋ eudaċ，
 геас ；


Bejóeać ré ruacać jo leop＇r ćlojreać aŋ rao弓alé．
$2 \mathfrak{L y}$ Ċajlleać．

 Dí pjarta＇丂й 丂еapba，cappa＇丂й ladoan ajn，


$2 \mathfrak{Z y} \mathrm{Sjoza}$ ．





$\mathfrak{2 l y}$ Ćajlleaci．



 $21 y$ Sjoza．



 Nuaju bj mé $j 0$ oúbaćfar ajJ jompar mála．．－． $2 \mathfrak{1 \eta}$ C̈alleac．

 Nj́ facar fór beay oj ŋo aoroa，



$\mathfrak{2 l y}$ Sjoza．




 $2 \mathfrak{2 l y}$ Cajlleać．

Céfどeaŋŋ ŋеać ajn an 5 －cojll 50 m－bujทŋe rcjujnre， Čum a leayd a rojújre a丂ur a minje，
 5un mile meara lejr an leand na＇$\eta$ rcjumre．．．
$2 \mathfrak{2 l}$ Sjoza．


 bejneaŋŋ ré a mallać＇r cujneaŋŋ ċum rjúbel ê，
 lejr．
（Le bejci leajuca．）

## Mr, TREAOY'S LEITER, <br>  <br>  

## 刘. 1. O'Lóciáıy.








 ๆájue ориа тeaŋja a rinrear labajut.

Cá jo leon fjr 'r mŋa jп reo ŋać bFujl aj oapa focal beupla aciu 50 ceapr yać labanóc focal ajrbjé aćt é





 lujmee alj Éjreaŋnaís mar ea alj jac̈ ทájrıúท ejle.












 reo.

Za me rárea jaċ b. fujl me 'ทay m'

 そać b-Fujl ŋajre opm an míjo đa ajam a rado. Seo é aŋ oapa parpacie oo ćuร







 a your.

50 mearamul,
pभ́IORUJC OTREMSE

## THE GAEL.

With the coming issue the Gael enters on its third year, in robust health, and with sanguine anticipations for its future. The many difficulties which beset the path of new enterprises have been surmounted, thanks to that undying spirit of na. tional pride which still, notwithstanding centuries of oppression, annimates the Irish heart.
This success should be an incentive to renewed exertions.
We are aware of the many shortcomings of the Gael; but let our friends remember the conditions under which the matter had been undertaken. It had been undertaken that the Irish Language movement might not be without an organ to rep. resent it, fully alive to the responsibility assumed and trusting to indomitable patience and perseverance and the patriotism of the cause to carry it through.
This was its capital stock, and we are pleased to say that it has not deteriorated in the adventure. We calculated that if the Gael paid for itself, i.e. paper, press-work, \&c. that it would be a success. It has done so, and our labor has been well repaid by the consciousness that we have done something towards the preservation of our native tongue, Considerable typographical errors appear in the paper from time to time. This is on account of want of time to carefully read it, for we have our ordinary business to attend to, and produce the Gael with the object and intentions above stated only, and during the time which we can spare from that business. Hence, our friends, and the friends of the cause which the Gael represents, will, we trust, bear this fact in mind whenever they have cause to find fault with its various shortcomings.
It was our intention to put a cover on the Gael for the future bat some of our co-workers in the Gaelic movement think it more advisible to apply the cost of such cover to circulating estra copies of it until its income should be able to bear the expense of turning it out artistically.
A large number who ordered the Gael a year ago have not yet made returns. We hope they will do so, as "Every little makes a muckle", and bear in mind that a movement like the Irish Language Revival wanls every penny it can scrape together to propagate its principles. The Irish people, whose social standing in the community of nations the movement seeks to subserve, should not leave its burthen on a few individuals.
In concluding our remarks we shall give $M$ ort's
lines on his country, hoping the reader will consider the country and the language as being inseparably interwoven. -

## I

Remember thee! yes, while there's life in this heart,
It shall never forget thee, all lorn as thou art ;
More dear in thy sorrow, thy gloom, and thy showers,
Than the rest of the world in their sunniest hours. II.

Wert thou all that I wish thee-great, glorious, and free,
First flow'r of the earth, and first gem of the sea.
I might hail thee with prouder, with happier brow,
Bat, oh! could I love thee more deeply than now?

## III

No; thy chains as they rankle, thy blood as it runs.
But make thee more paiufnlly dear to thy sons,
Whose hearts like the young of the desert bird's nest,
Drink love in each life drop that flows from thy breast.

## IRISHMEN AS GOVERNORS,

The continual cry of Englisbmen and pro-English writers that the Irish are unfit to govern themselves, is unfortunately reechoed by a considerable section of the Irish people who are ignorant of the history of surrounding nations as well as their own. This anti-Irish cryis sought to befounded on the internicine struggles for mastery which, they allege, prevailed in Ireland, centuries before the advent of of the English there, among the I rish chieftains. Now, any candid reader who ex amines contemporary Euglish history will see that the internal wars and massacres which prevailed there were of greater frequency and of a more savage nature than ever took place in Ireland. In a former issue of the Gael, a detailed comparative table showing the vast difference in favor of Ireland, in those remotedays was exhibited. In later days, notwithstanding the persecutions which they have been made to suffer, Irishmen all over the globe have demonstrated their capacity for self government. Nay, from time to time, they have shaped the policy of the principal governments of the world. The O'Donnell ruled Spain, Nugent ruled Austria, McMahon ruled Franc, and Arthur is ruling the United States of America. These facts should never $b \Rightarrow$ lcs sight of by patriotic Irishmen because they directly give the lie to the calumniasors of Irishmen's ability to govern. England looks on every Irishman who attains to eminence with a jealous eye, and seeks in every possible manner to belittle him. When circumstances made it plain that Gan. Ar-
thur should assume the presidency, he was characterized as the companion of Fenians, (as if Fenians could not point to a more ancient and illustrious ancestry than the Guelphs, any day.) It is reasonably certain that the influence of England will be exerted to the fullest extent to prevent the reelection of President Arthur. Not, perhaps, on account of any fault with his administration of office, but simply because the fact of his occupying it would be complimentary to the Irish people? And we hope and trust that every Irishman, re. gardless of past or present political affiliations, will do everything in his power to secure his reelection. Whatever our political convictions are, they are by no means in accord with President Arthur's party. But, in such a case and under such circumstances, we would throw American politics aside for the moment to elevate one of our race; and one too, who, it seems, does not deny or forget his lineage.

Though, as already said, we do not share the views of Pres. Arthur's party, yet we would call the attention of those who would fain make it appear that that party and everything connected with it are anti Irish to take note of what transpired at the obsequies of an eminent and patriotic Irishman, ald a Catholic, a few weeks ago in N.Y. city, We refer to the late lamented Hugh J. Fastings. Did Pres. Arthur's high station prevent him from paying a tribute of respece to his dead frimnd and countryman (though Pres. Arthur was not born in Ireland his parents were so short a time here at that event that we look upon him as an Irishman) No; neither did bis party friends, for we find by the newspaper accounts that Pres. Arthur, Hon. R. Conkling, H. J. Jewett, J. Gould, S. Sloan, J. Van Shaick, Gen. T. Eckert, W.G. Weed, J. N. Tappan, S. England and J. Hoey acted as pallbearers, and we question if the magnates of the opposite political party would psy s milar marks of regard to the remains of an Irishman, and a patriotic Irishman at that, whatever his s cial or political qualities. We speak plainly and disinterestelly, and place the social and political interest of our race and country beyond all other considerations.

We send about a thousand copies of the GaEL as advertisemonts through the states every month. We do this to show our countrymen the progress which the Irish Language Movement has made within a few years, as well as to advertise the paper. We hope that th se who get the Gael iu this way will, aiter reading it, hand it to their neighbors. In this manner the Trish language movement will become more extensively known, and it will help to remove the erroneous impression prevailing among a large section of the Irish people that they never had a cultivat 3 d literature or a learaed language- It is the duty of all self-respecting Irishmen to explode this idea-

## THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

The platform adopted by the Irish National League at Philadelphia last Spring filled the minds of truly Irish patriots with joyful anticipations for the fature of Ireland; but, alas, the conduct of the leaders of that truly representative body ever since has completely blasted those, which now appears to have been chimerical, anticipations.
The Language, which is the essence of nation ality, and which constituted a plank of that plat. form, has been completely ignored by every one of those leaders in their public addresses and speeches ever since. How comes this, gentlemen leaders of the League? Can you build a nationality without a principle?

The effort to create 1 rish sentiment through English medium is as futile as the attempt to wash white lines in inky water, or to build a house in a boitomless swamp. Then, to build truly Irish sentiments, the foundation must be laid on a solid base. That base is the language. The land cannot be possessed by more than a fraction of th people of a nation. The language is the property of all and, therefore, is the unit of nationhood. Why do the Russians insist on substituting their language for that used in their conquered provinces ? Why do the Germans do the same in Alsace and Loraine ? And lastly, why did the Evglish do it in Ireland? Because these astute politicians know that the language $i$ essence of rationality.

Now it seems to us that the tactics used by conqueriug nations to obliterate a nationality should furnish a cue to the conquered as to how to pre. serve it. The English sought to accomplish the denationalization of 1reland through the instrumentality of the public schools by merely eliminating from the textbooks all mention of Ireland, und Irishmen. (See Life of Archbishop Wheatley by his daughter.) Irishmen who distinguished tuemselves 10 any walk of life were putdown as Britishers in these textbooks. What is the result? It is that the Irish have, to a certain extent, been denationalized. Where is the national bond? 'iis bjing rent, aad our national leaders are abetting in its consummatiou.

How can the children of 1 rishmen, at home and abroad, cherish Irish national sentiment when they wre being taught from infancy to despise it. Yes, they have been incidentally so instructed by those who grin and sneer, through their own stolid ignorance and want of patriotism, at the people who speak, teach, or take part in the movement for the preservation of the national lauguage. Those are the enemies of Irish nationality, and not the English. Now, we do not for a moment insinuate that they do this intentionally, but it is the result of such conduct. He who loves the child cannot despise the mother, and vice versa. This grinaing
and sneering at everything Irish by Irishom is the why and the wherefore that they do not command the active sympathy of other nations in their efforts to regain their national iudepeudence. From their language, custom, and manner they are looked upon as a rebellious province of Britain, seekıng after the flesh pots-instead of a nation struggling for its ancient antonomy. How can this condition of things be otherwise when 1rishmen, pretending to education, ask the question, "Was the Irish Language ever written or cultivated?" Does not the asking of such questions imply that the interrogator believes he is descended from a barbarous ancestry? Believing this, what respect can he have for them? We have been asked that question by an Irish-American barrister-at law! Now, we do not donbt but this lawyer is a patriotic Irishman, but see the slur his question throws on his ancestry. We rather pity than despise the Irish patriot who is ignorant of his national language, because he does not see the curious predicament in which he is placed. 'The fact is that the Irish nationalist ignorant of the nation's language is groping in the dark. His intentions are good but his method abortive. We not iafrequently hear patriotic lrishmen ignorant of the language declare that they would give hundreds of dallars to be able $t$ ) speak, read and write it. These men understand their position but they have not the nerve to surmount the difficnlty. We now tell such men that twelve months of ordinary application to study would enable them to pass muster. How many Irishmen spent years in British dungeons for Ireland, yet they feel a dread in facing the study of the language. There are a number of ladies and gentlemen in New York and Brooklyn who knew nothing of the language a few years ago and who can now speak, read and write it tolerably well. Mr. T. O'N Russell, a gentleman of miture years, saw the false position which he assumed by calling himself an Iri h patriot without knowing a word of the language, set to work to place himself in the proper light before the public. The result is that he is now one of the best 1rish writers in this country. But men will say that they have no time to study. Why, Mr. Russell and every other man has to earn his living as well as they; but where there is s will, there is a way.

Why don't those who find themselves unequal to the task of studying the language impress on others, and especially the young, the patriotism of doing so, and assist them by providing Gaelic matter from which instruction may be obtained.

Here is where the slackness comes in. Those Irishmen who were so unfortunete as to be shut out from all knowledge of their language should avenge their persecutors by spreading it in every way in their power.
Send a dollar for the Gabl, it will teach you Irish

## SENTIMENTS of our SURSCRIBERS,

Ala.-Mr. McCosker expresses the sentiments of Messrs. MeGrath, Caesar, McGuinness, Delahunty, McClarin, Young, McDonnell, Rosetta, Riley, Bressingham, and Doody.
Conn.- Per Major Maher] Messrs. Leahey, Peckham, Russe l, and Murphy.

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There is now in Phila. as good a nucleus of a Gaolic society as there is in any other city in the Union. We shall name four gentlemen-and four energetic workers in any city will leave their mark after them, namely, our friend McEniry, Wall P. McFadden, and A. P. Ward. If we don't mis. these gentlemen Boston, New York and Brooklyn will have to look sharp or they will be left in the shade:

Perseverance, gentlemen, aggressive energy, and a conception of the nobleness of the cause will surmount all dificulties:

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N.B. Subscribers sending sums of money less than five dollars can get a postal order for three cents under the new postal system: All offices are supposed to furnish them.

Owing to sneers and taunts levelled at those engaged in the movement for the preservation of the 1rish language which came under our notice some time ago we wrote strongly on the introducers of the English language in Ireland in our last issue.

What can any intelligent man or woman think of the Irishman who tries to reflect on those who are endeavoring at considerable personal inconvenience to preserve the evidence of the civilization and en$\mathrm{l}_{\text {ightenment }}$ of his forefathers? Must not the Irishman who does it be dead to all sense of selfrespect, and engulphed in the mazes of imperturbable ignorance, and deserving the scorn and contempt of his countrymen?
Well there are such Irishmen in our midst, and political leaders(?) at that!

If these men had a drop of blood in their veins should they not bow their heads in shame (if they know what shame is, or are susceptible to its influence) for the scandal they give ther country in proclaiming themselves Irishmeu aud at the same time trying to thwart any movement to elevate its social condition?
Notwithstanding that the Irish Language movement is in its infancy it has done more to elevate the status of the Irish race than any other movement ever undertaken. It has demonstrated to the civilized world that the Irish people, instead of being an ignorant semi-barbarous race as their enemies would fain characterise them, were lettered and highly civilized when their calumniators were wallowing in the murk of ig orance and superstition. 1t has shown that portion of the Irish people whom English tyranny and spoliation kept in a continuous state of mental degradation, that their fore-fathers did possess learned institutions, Many men who could not believe of the existence of a cultivated Irish literature, when they never saw or heard of it, were and are agreeably surrprised when convinced of its reality. Nay, being natarally patriotic, and intelligent enough to know that an unlettered people cannot be civilized, tuey embraced the opportunity, and set to work to learn the language. We have received communications from men over sixty years of age who express their determination to accomplish it.

The Cathedral of Leon, in the proviace of Nicaragua, Central America, was 37 years in buildipg and cost five million dollars.

## RE rARKABLE EVENTS,

So that the readers of the Gael may have a table containing the dates of remarkable events, we collate the following chronology to be continued to the present date.

## BEFORE UHRIST. (B.C.)

4004. The Creation of the World, and Adam and Eve.
4005. The Old World destroyed by the Deluge.
4006. The covenant of God with Abraham.
4007. Sodom and Gomorrah destroyed for their wickedness.
4008. Moses performs miracles, and the Israelites depart fiom Egypt.
4009. The Israelites fix themselves in the land of Canaan.
4010. The Milesians land in Ireland from Spain.
4011. The siege of Troy which lasted ten years.
4012. David sole King of Israel.

758 The foundation of Rome by Romulus.
720. Israel overthrown and the Ten Tribes carried into captivity.
670. Byzantium, now Constantinople, built.
538. Babylon destroyed by Cyıus, who favored the Jews.
430. History of the Old Testament finishes about $t$ his time.
403. Socrates, the founder of Moral Philosophy, put to death.
336. Philip of Macedon put to death, and succeeded by Alexander the Great.
285. Diony sius computed the year to be 365 days 5 hours and 49 minutes. Ptolemy Philadelphus employs 72 interpreters of the Bible.
264. The First Panic War which continued 23 years.
140. Carthage and Corinth razed to the ground by the Romans.
135. The History of the Apocrypha ends.
55. Julius Caesar invades Gt . Britain for the first time.
44. Caesar killed in the Senate.
5. The Temple of Janus is shut, and universal peace.
John the Baptist born before our Savior, six months-
Our Savior born on Monday Dec. 25.
AFTER OHRIST.(A.D.)

Our Savior baptised by John in the Wilderness.
33. Our Savior is crucified on Friday Apr. 5. His Ascension May 15.
36. St. Paul converted.
39. St. Matthew wrute his gospel.
40. The name of Christians first given to the followers of Christ.
44. St. Mark writes his Gospel.
50. London founded by the Romans.
52. Council of Apostles at Jerusalem.
55. St. Luke writes his Gospel.
60. Christianity preached in Britain.
62. St- Paul sent to Rome-writes his Epistles between $51 \& 66$.
63. The Acts of the Apostles written,
66. St. Peter and St. Paul martyred.
64. First persecution under Nero.

70, Titus takes Jerusalem and razes it with the ground.

St. John the Evangelist writes his Revelations, his Cospel iu 97.
140. Dublin fonnded.
274. Silk first brought from 1ndia.
(To bэ continued.

## ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

J. M. New Y.-- The great difficulty which an Irish-speaking person finds in understanding Gaelic when read to him from a book is, because the reader does not pronounce his words proporly. The same remarks are applicable ta a person reading any lang. uage of which he is not master. For in. stance, nealy all readers pronounce the final $j 0$ of the Dative plural of nouns when they should be pronounced like the nominative plural. Again, in such words as ciujoeóciá they pronounce the final $\Delta \delta$ when it should not be pronounced at all. A good many of our Gaelic writers would and do spell such words ciujoreat. Now, we would beg the reader's attention to this word in the tenth line of Mr. Treacy's letter. He wrote the word exactly as it is pronounced, and we believe he is master of the spoken language. In the sixteenth line he writes labajúci in a simiar manner. Some of our Caelic scholars write labarfás 7 c , in the Potential as well as in the Indicative!

We adverted to this subject in the Gael before. It is a matter of considerable importance to the student, and we are somewhat surprised that Irish grammarians do not account for it. We never heard such words pro. nounced in any other way than that indicatad by Mr. Treacy's orthography. Which, then, is cujofeat or cujoeocas the proper orthography? Surely there must be some way of distinguishing the Potential from the Indi. cative mood. We believe that in the Conditional and Potential moods of such words Mr. Treacy's style of orthography should prevail, as the additioual ao serves no earthly purpose.

Owing to being limited in Gaalic type we are obliged to hold over Gaelic matter received from Messrs. O'Cal. laghan, O'Keefe, O'Hara, Goban Saor 7c. We are short of "sorts," and we sent to the type foundry for them but, contrary to the usages of the trade, they would not supply them. Our "as" are run out before the other letters are half used. However, as the founders refuse to supply a proper propor. tion of the letters, we must have re. course to the new method of reproducing the matrice of a perfect letter, which has been recently discovered, at a cost of about $\$ 1.25$ a letter.

A highly interesting Gaelic poem, "Ireland Over The Water," with tran. slation, appears in The United IrishMan of Oct. 6 th. If it be the composition of the editor. O'Donovan Rossa, he is no mean Gaelic poet.

Every Irish family should possess a volume of Gaelic literature, such as the Gael, Gaelic Journal \&c. Must not the intelligent Irishman visited by a friend, say a German or a Frenchman, feel some what humiliated at not being able to speak a word of his native tongue, or to be able to show that he ever had a national language.

Having a volume of the language, he could ex. cuse his ignorance of it by simply tellinghis friend the truth. He could tell him that as soon as the English took possession of Ireland they introduced their own language into the country, and that at one time the speaking or teaching of it was made a felony, punishable with death, and, consequently, that the language could exist only in remote territories inaccessible to the English, as the mountains of Ulster ard Munster and the wilds $o_{f}$ Connaught. The production of a volume of the language would convince the friend of the trath of these facte, and the Irishman's ignorance of his native language would be accounted for.

## THE GAELIC JOURNAL.

We have received the 8 th no, of the Gaelic Journal. This number has been increased to 40 pp ., and is full of highly interesting matter. Indeed, he is a lukewarm Irishman that would not give this Journal a generous support, and that would not have a copy of it in his library whether he could read it or not: The price of it is six shillings a year. Address Rev. J. E. Nolan, O. D. C, Hon Sec. Gaelic Union, 19 Kildare St. Dublin.

The O'Neills gave sixteen monarchs to Treland. The O'Canes, MacSweenys, O'Dalys, O'Hays, O'Conallin, ©'Creagh, O'Hagan, O'Duan, O'Mulligan, and $O^{‘} H o r a n$ are descended from 0 wen, eldest son of Niall. From Conall Gulban, son of Niall, descended the renowned families of $O^{\prime}$ Donells, kings of Tirconnell, the noble $O^{\prime}$ Doherty, $O^{\prime} G a l-$ lagher, O'Boyle, O‘Connell, O'Ronan, O'Donnelly, McLoghlin, Caulfield, Kilkelly, Conry, Shiels Cazlalan, Breen, Murray, $O^{\prime}$ Quinn, Deignan, $O^{\prime}$ Mulvy, McGegan, O‘Higgins, O'Mulloy; from Aodh (Hugh). Athlam came the O'Dunlevy, ancester of McSweeny Tanat, McSweeny Tuath, McSweeny Badhuine. O‘Dunlevy was sixteenth in descent from Niall of the Nine Hostager. The family of Boyce is descended from the same an. cient family.
MoCarthy the rightful king of Desmond was confined in London Tower, in 101. The McDonaghs of Munster are of this race. The name signifies son of Donagh; the Mac and the 0 signify an off shoot of an origiual name.

We are pleased to see that the Cel tic blood of France did not pocket the insuit offered it by king Alfonso in accepting the colonelcy of the German Uhlans from the Emperor, and then parade the sreets of Paris in his newly acquired plumes! We wish the Irish Celts would take a lesson from their kindred of France and not suffer them. selves to be not only insulted but enslaved in "limb and Language."

The island of Juan Fernandez, the solitary residence of Alexander Selkirk-whose adventures have given rise to the well known story of Robinson Crusoe, belongs to the Republic of Chili.

The Republic of Bolivia is the most elevated country of the world. It has cities above the regions of ihe clouds, and cottages situated as high sis the top of Mt. Blanc. Lake Titicaca is 12,795 feet above the sea, and Lo Paz, the largest city in Bolivia, though situated in a "valley", is 12,400 feet above the sea level. Potosi is 13,000 feet above the sea. This territory is on the east side of the Andes: It yields the fruits and vegetables of tropical climes. Potatoes grow wild.

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## OUR MISERERE.

From Songs For Freedom, by Father McHale

As men who see, aghast and pale, The lightning shocks
Strike down the oak-trees in the vale, And rend the rocks,
Just so the nations, mute, amazed, Have seen the Gael,
Of manhood reft, of reason crazed, Send out his wail,

His doleful 'Miserere."
Through countless stripes from slavery'srod, We bent the knee,
For leave to starve upon the sod God meant should be
Our home in youth, our grave in age. Come woe, come weal.
What answer gave our masters sage To this appeal,

This begging "Miserere."
Go, count the stately ships that flew Before the wind,
The wild sharks' mouths that bit and slew, The jaws that grind
Within the sea waves' sullen lairs Far out of view,
And you will see how our poor prayers Were hearkened to,

Our helpless "Miserere."
Go count the ruined homes and hearts Throughout the land,
Our kindred wrecked in foreign parts, On foreign strands,
The pribe they set on heads of priests, Our altars razed,
Our peasants hunted worse than beasts, Despite our crazed,

> Our frantic "diserere:"

Remember how they sent to "hell Or Connaught" men
Who served our ancient nation well With sword and pen;
They filled the gibbets with our slain, They crammed the graves
With noble hearts-while might and main Our abject slaves

Still sued their "Miserere."
When famine slew our noble race, Our masters saw,
Nor ever stirred one smallest pace, Nor wrote a law,
To save the bravest race on earth,

God's noblest sons:
They answered in our days of dearth, 'I hrough belching guns, Our feeble "Miserere."

The white-corpsed features faced the sky, By hunger slain,
The children saw their parents die With looks of pain,
And soon they dropped beside them there, They filled one grave,
And yet no gift, no word of prayer, Our masters gave,

But cursed our "Miserere."
We starved upon the fairest soil Beneath the sky,
Our honest brown-hand sons of toil Did starve and die
Without one comfort from their birth, One word of cheer,
Save that they loved their mother-earth From birth to bier,

And prayed their "Miserere."
Then $u$ p our half starved masses rose And wildly swore
Straight to front their sullen foes, Though streams of gore
Should flow as winter torrents flow When flood-gates burst, But, ah! they struck a stronger blow, And they hushed

> Our moaning ' Miserere."

O Lord! Thou sawest our lovely land Through piteous years,
So trampled, outraged, scourged, and banned, Through blood and tears,
And Tuou didst hear the prayers we prayed
When all wa $\mathbf{d a r k}^{\text {ark }}$
Though men of ours be sore afraid
Thou'lt send Thy ark,
Thou'lt hear our "Miserere."

Come, brothers mine, some day at last Stand up be men:
Shout o'er the waves "the die is cast, Ourland again
must yet be free through force of right,
Through voice aud pen,
Or else by thunder force of might"-
Let that be then
Our fearless "siserere."

Brother Philip Cassidy of St, Mary's College, N. Carolina and Mr, Liahedy of Brocklyn are the first $t$ ) order the GAEL for the third year

## LAND of My SIRES.

Although my eyes have ne'er beheld Old Erin,s fields of green, Shall I for this, then, be compelled My love from her to wean?

Although my feet have never pressed The soil my father's trod;
Yet, shall I not my love attest For that old Irish sod?

Ah, yes! for though Columbia's strand To me be mother earth, It can't be fault to love the land That gave my parents birth?

Since, thro' my each and every vein Run noble Celtic blood, And false I'll prove if e'er I stain That rich and spotless flood.

If any of our Western friends know aught of the location in which lived a deceasd lady, maiden name Hession, whose father came to this country ab. ont 80 years ago, from Garrymoremountain, County Mayo. will confer a favor on a Gaelic student by commu. nicating such ineelligence to us.

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