The Daily News,

MONDAY EVENING, APRIL 27.

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A FRENCH "ARTIST."

A man named Riche was charged at Paris a day or two ago, before the magistrate, with being a vagabond.

Magistrate—What are you.

Prisoner—An artist.

Magistrate—This is the third time during fifteen months that you have been in prison.

Prisoner—Ah! to be sure! I gave myself up when I had neither house nor bread.

Magistrate—You say you are an artist. What art do you practise.

Prisoner—I was with a quack doctor for fourteen months. I left him on the 15th February, because he gave me little or nothing.

Magistrate—Well, what did you perform for this charlatan?—Music?

Prisoner—No, Monsieur, I was his patient.

Magistrate—What do you mean.

Prisoner—You see it was absolutely necessary to get clients. He had to persuade people that he could extract teeth without pain, and as this was not to be done he had to employ a decoy. Well then, I represent sometimes a peasant, sometimes a workman. I was several times a woman and also a soldier. This was the way to do business; for, you see, if I did not disguise myself I should soon be known. I stood amongst the crowd—a simple listener to the five promises of my patron, who was explaining, like fun, how, having studied physics, metaphysics, optics and mathematics, he was now able to extract teeth with a sabre, with a key, with a pipe-stem, a two-sou piece, or in fact anything. Thereupon he invited any bystander who was suffering from a bad tooth, to come forward, at the same time depositing 50 francs, to be given away if he did not take out the tooth without causing pain. It was I, you understand, who came forward. Magistrate—And you had all your teeth taken out?

Prisoner—Ah, Monsieur, no! It was a gum. I had a false tooth which I put into my mouth before stepping up to my patron. That was the tooth he always pulled out.

Magistrate—And is that what you call being an artist?

Prisoner—Phew! You know—'tis but a word.

Magistrate—You must go to prison for a month.

A man at Westerly, R. I., named Pond, being to make his suicide horrible, set fire to his bed and stretched himself upon it Monday afternoon, but was rescued by his neighbors before he had been scorched to his satisfaction.

A version in French, of *King Lear*, by M. Jules Lacroix, was produced at the Odeon Theatre, Paris, on Monday last. The *Avenir National* says that great liberties have been taken with the original, without much judgment being displayed, and intimates that the piece was somewhat wearisome from its undue length. It appears, however, to have been well received.

The body of Robert E. Scott that came ashore at Waukegan, Mich., from the wreck of the Sea Bird, had several thousand dollars about it. When found, the pocket book was on the beach a few rods from the body, rifled of its contents. A valuable diamond pin was also taken from him.

A sailor at Buffalo has addressed a letter to the agent of a marine insurance company, stating that more than one vessel on the lakes has been lost in consequence of having a woman on board employed as cook. The captain or mate was in the cabin "fooling with the cook" while the vessel was going to wreck. The sailor suggests that if men cooks were employed they could lend a hand in case of danger, while a female could not and might be the means of lessening the actual force of the ship's crew.

The Joan of Arc tower at Compiegne fell down on Saturday, and the crash caused great terror in the quarter of the Rue Jeanne d'Arc. There was no loss of life; but a little girl, the daughter of a wine-shop keeper named Gruing, escaped death by a marvellous accident. Owing to a temporary illness she was taken out of her little bed a short time before the accident occurred to sleep with her parents in another part of their house. When the tower fell the bed which the child had recently quitted was smashed into atoms.

The following story is related by *Le Nord*, of Brussels:—On Sunday, Feb. 23, the election of Bavarian Representatives to the Customs Parliament was to be made. Upon that day the cure of a parish near Erbendorf, after concluding his sermon, addressed the congregation in these terms:—"My very dear brethern,—We have to-day to vote for what is called the German Customs Parliament. Two candidates are before us—the banker of Munich, Albert Wild, and M. de Seibler, Minister of Commerce. Which shall we choose? Let us address ourselves to the Holy Spirit, and pray that he may touch our hearts and enlighten our understandings; so that in a matter so important for our country and our church we may make the right selection. See, I have here two cards, one bearing the name of Wild, and the other that of Schlor. I will place them in my cap, and turning my head away will shake them together. And now to your knees, dear brethren, and pray with me." An interval of silent prayer followed, after which the cure, looking away, drew forth one of the cards from the cap. It bore the name of Wild. "Ah, my dear brethren," he exclaimed, "this is the man who is recommended from heaven, and you know how we ought to vote." The result was that the banker Wild was returned to the Customs Parliament.

The Austrian Archduke Ernest has just resigned the military command which he held at Gratz. The cause of this act, as we learn from Vienna, is said to lie in the intention of the young Prince to follow the example of his brother Henry, by marrying a lady not of noble birth. This alliance is stated to be disapproved of by the Emperor, who, in his capacity of head of the Imperial family, has refused his consent.

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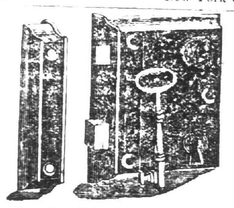

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DARING HIGHWAY ROBBERY NEAR DETROIT.

A bold robbery was perpetrated in the city at an early hour last evening, a short distance from the G. W. Railway Station. Mr Whipple, of Detroit, who was the victim, arrived in the city by 7:15 train from the west, and started to walk up town with a citizen with whom he had business. When crossing the vacant lot east of the Custom House, he was suddenly accosted by a fellow who asked him if he was on his way to the direction to a hotel, and before he had time to reply to the inquiry a second party, who had approached him unawares, struck him a powerful blow on the back of the head with a club which felled him to the ground and stunned him for a short time unconscious. When he recovered his senses, he found himself bound fast with a rope, and gagged by his cap being tied over his mouth, while the two assailants were engaged in rifling his pockets, taking therefrom $72 in money, his watch, and other articles. After the departure of the robbers, Mr Whipple lay on the ground helpless for an hour, before he was enabled to remove the covering from his mouth, and call for assistance. His condition was then discovered by persons passing in the vicinity, who found him tied hand and foot with a rope. The police were informed of the occurrence, and on visiting the locality of the robbery, one of the constables picked up a gold watch-chain, belonging to Mr Whipple, which the ruffians had dropped in their haste. No clue has yet been obtained to the perpetrators of this daring robbery.

LATER.—Since writing the above, a couple of young men, residing in the vicinity of the station, named McCormic and Henderson, were arrested on suspicion of being the perpetrators of the robbery, and were brought before the Police Magistrate this afternoon. Mr Whipple being sworn, narrated the circumstances of the affair as stated above. To the best of his belief, Henderson was one of the two men who robbed him.

James Fraser testified that he heard Whipple's cries for assistance at about 9 o'clock last night, and found him lying bound with a rope and in a helpless condition, on the vacant lot east of the Custom House.

William Wilson also went to Whipple's assistance, and made a like statement.

George Picket was called as a witness by the prisoners, and stated that he lived at Mr Henderson's, near the station. He knew the prisoners and saw them together on the evening in Henderson's bar-room at 7½, and they remained there until after 9 o'clock. Henderson was engaged in mending a music box.

This was all the evidence bearing upon the case at hand, and the Magistrate remanded the same until further inquiries could be made. The parties accused protested their entire ignorance of the affair in question.—*Hamilton Times.*

VIEWS OF A FENIAN IN CANADA.

The last number of the *Irish American* of New York, contains a letter from its Montreal correspondent, in which all the parties arrested on account of the murder of Mr McGee, are pronounced "as innocent as the sun that shines." After this declaration the writer goes on to attribute their arrest to political *animus*. "The whole cause of their arrest is their voting against and canvassing against McGee at the last election. . . . . Moreover, those men arrested up to this date, all belong to the St. Patrick's Society, and voted for the expulsion of McGee." Of course they did! and perhaps, also for the resolutions of condolence on his death!

This correspondent, who significantly signs himself "Hickory Switch," says that those *outside the Dominion* should know how the system of spying is carried on in this city; and then mentions the names of two or three respectable Irish residents of Montreal, whom he charges with booking the "suspects" for jail. His concluding recommendation is as follows:—

"My advice to the Fenians in the United States would be to rally round Gen. O'Neil and the constitution of Philadelphia, and furnish breech loaders for 40,000 men, and come this way and wipe out this nest of vipers that pollutes the soil of America with its accursed presence."

This precious epistle is introduced with some editorial remarks in commendation of its contents. We need see to add that there is much of Fenian a-souring in the *Irish American*, and that "Gen. O'Neill" is apparently still as anxious as ever for an attack on Canada. If he acts upon the information furnished by the Montreal correspondent of the *Irish American* he will find his calculations sadly astray.

At a meeting of the Aeronautical Society of Great Britain the other day, the machinery and wings of a new flying machine were exhibited which only weighed 15 ounces.

Letters received from Glasgow Scotia indicate that in some of the seaboard counties the destitution is gradually and steadily increasing.

It is stated that Roberts, former Fenian leader in New York, is about to go into bankruptcy, having been ruined through his connection with the organization.

The Rev. Dr. Bissell, Bishop elect of the Diocese of Vermont, has signified his acceptance of the office. The consecration of the Bishop elect will take place some time in June.

Her Majesty is loading at Torquay the Gulf ports. She will take 8,000 tons, completing her cargo at Montreal.

Henry, magistrate, county-councillor, school-trustee, and postmaster at Dungah, county Longford, a venerable functionary of sixty years, absconded, taking with him the wife of a fickle creature of fifty summers, and a goodly sum of money, belonging to the injured husband. The recreant pair both leave large families.

The Marchioness of Queensbury has subscribed the sum of five pounds towards the fund being raised for the wife of Capt. Casey, the convicted Fenian; and it is said that in her letter she expresses deep sympathy for the bereaved widow." The poor Marchioness is said to be entirely guided by a Roman Catholic director.—*Record.*

The Lower House of the Hungarian Diet has confirmed the election of Kossuth. As Kossuth declined the offered seat in the Diet, we think it is to be probable that he means to accept it. Kossuth still is a tower of strength to the Radical party throughout the land, although in the Diet that party is at present in a minority.

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