



Daily British Whig.

Opposite Our Ocean Door.

CONSTABULARY DIFFICULTIES.

There has been an unhappy revival of discontent in the ranks of the Irish Constabulary. The authorities have not been as discreet in their management of the force as circumstances warranted. The fresh outbreak of difficulty has been occasioned by the issue of an order directing the removal of sixteen sub-inspectors from Limerick to a northern county, and with a haste which was particularly obnoxious. It must be borne in mind that the Limerick Constabulary were the originators of the agitation for better terms. They led in the resistance which, a superior remarked, "should have been treated as a mutiny, and when the Government's representatives satisfied them they satisfied all occupying subordinate positions — we presume they only were in a rebellious mood — and there was a general abandonment of the strike. Experience should have taught those who rule at The Castle "that in a crisis they should not act precipitately or offensively." For some good purpose six sub-inspectors were booked for a charge of duty, and while they may have succeeded in the cause of such they could not have objected to removal had they been given the couple of days they asked for in order to satisfactorily adjust private affairs. A little diplomacy must be again used to avert a demoralization of the force, and we dislike to contemplate the probabilities if such an eventuality occurred.

The Irish Constabulary was originally formed in 1822 under an Act which superseded the power of the Grand Juries to appoint constables, which gave to the whole of Ireland, all chief Constables and 5,000 Constables, that is, a chief and sixteen minor constabulary. After what one historian has termed "thirteen years of successful bungling," there was, in 1836, a reorganization under Thomas Drummond, who, in a letter to the Tipperary magistrates, enunciated the famous principle that property has its due as well as its rights.

In 1851 the force was increased to 35 Inspectors, 262 sub-inspectors, 375 Head Constables, and 10,000 Constables. Of the latter 300 were mounted, and distributed through the several counties in the proportion of one mounted man to each sub-inspector, and two to each County Inspector, while a reserve of 100 men, and a few chosen friends, leave a court room to seek consolation for their griefs in a bar room opposite the name of "Hole in the wall." Here the Star Route inspectors hold forth till their presence is known, and when, as it frequently occurs, a party of court officials for a drink or two of punch, he is quickly invited into the back room among the defendants.

Wine is the principal feature at these noonday feasts, and the proprietor is authority for the statement that Brady's for the past month was up to \$500. The "Hole in the wall" will therefore regret the close of the trial. Quite rivalry exists between this establishment and one adjacent, where the court for the Government generally pass their recess. A mug of beer and a saucer are usually the limits of the stomachs of the prosecuting attorneys, and the proprietors of the rival saloons are not at all backward in vanquishing the taste of the customers' strangers.

"In support of the assertion that the proper way to reach men is via the stomach, the impression generally prevalent here is that the defendants, with the exception of Brady, will be acquitted; that the fact that the Government can hope for in this case will be a 'hung jury,' and that the Star Route subject will then be quietly allowed to die.

Will the editor of our contemporary be summoned before the venerable Judge, charged with contempt of court, fined \$500, and sentenced to six months imprisonment in the common gaol and without having an opportunity to make explanations? We trust not. And yet the offence of the *Inter-Ocean* is infinitely worse than that of the *Freeman's Journal*. What in one case is construed into a most inexcusable libel, is on the other hand treated as a piece of spirited journalism, to which usage has even reconciled the judiciary.

POLICE COURT-TUESDAY.
In Cases in Which the Public Have a Live-
ly Interest — A Divided Household
— Sentences Reserved.

A VICTIOUS FIGHT

REALIZING THE EFFECTS OF THE LATE BATTLE LOSSES HEAVY.

**Forces Fail to Face — Issue Near
at Hand — A Hot Fire Now
Proceeding.**

Hugh McGurk, a shoemaker, has been leading for some time a very exemplary life. He fell from grace, however, yesterday, and this morning felt vexed that King Alcohol had overcome him. Discharged.

James McTigue, in a sad plight, pleaded guilty to having excessively indulged in the liquor he was licensed to sell to others. Fined \$10 or costs or 30 days.

Some days ago the cows of Benjamin W. Folger and Mrs. P. Macanney got out of their pasture at Murney Tower, and were captured by Samuel Self, poundkeeper. This morning the Magistrate found, which had been thrown away in the rout of Friday, a tent, said to be that of Arabi, and two standards. The artillerymen and Bedouins fought well, and many of the latter showed great courage. In the general *mélée* several fierce hand to hand encounters took place. One Bedouin, a man of tall and lissome frame, though severely wounded and abandoned by his comrades, stood his ground alone, wounded and unarmed, a life guardian, disabling him for the time, seized his sabre, and made several thrusts at the officer before he was cut down and scored. A coat supplied him the poison on the canal with provisions was fired on by Bedouins near Ismailia to day. Four of the Mattoe crew were wounded, one fatally and the boat was plundered. These men are inspired with an intense hatred of our troops, and show this on every occasion, regardless of the risk they themselves run. To day a dragoon, who was signaller on the banks of the Canal near Tel-el-Mahoulan, was instantly shot dead by an Arab who was pursuing her.

RABBI'S WHEREABOUTS

is hardly known for certain. At last accounts he was reported to be at Suleimane, a point lying midway northeast and northwest of Maxame and Ismailia respectively. What he is doing is not known, nor can the military authorities understand his persistence in holding Kafra Dora, where the pick of his army is, continuing, so says Mahmoud Felemy, to 7,000 men, the artillery very strong, all fresh from Cairo, and all on the stocks. It is supposed he means to take his stand there, so as to be able to meet the next attack to come to Tripoli. His massive batteries of Krupp guns at three mounted batteries at Tel el Kebir.

JAMES BULL IMPATIENT.

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DESTRUCTIVE STORM.

London, Aug. 29.—Yesterday morning Turkish troops attacked the Greeks all along the frontier, from Zorbus to Deira. The fighting continued to day. The Greeks lost four killed and ten wounded. The Turks gained the upper hand.

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LOSS OF VESSELS.

London, Aug. 29.—From all parts of Western Texas come reports of the most disastrous storms ever known in the South West. Nearly a hundred lives have been lost in the past three weeks. Thousands of head of stock and vast amounts of property have been destroyed. Telegraphic communication is interrupted, but there is no doubt that San Angelo and Ben Ficklin have been almost entirely swept away and the surrounding settlement badly damaged.

AN ATTACK AND REPRISAL.

London, Aug. 29.—The Arabs attacked the British post at Kassassin, and were repulsed with a heavy loss. The British lost 20 men. 11 of the enemy's guns were captured.

ALBANY, Aug. 29.—The enemy is sent out an armoured train again last evening. Gen. Wood has gone to reconnoitre at Macon.

REPLY NOT YET RECEIVED.

Constantinople, Aug. 29.—Lord Dufferin has not yet received a reply from Granville to whom he submitted the Port's acceptance of a military convention. It is considered doubtful whether Granville will agree to the acceptance as the Port has been several times warned that it might be too late.

BIG BATTLE IMMINENT.

IMBALIA, Aug. 29.—A large Egyptian force has appeared in front of the British advance lines. Reinforcements, consisting of the Indian contingent, have been sent to the front, and an attack has been ordered. A big battle is imminent.

The British troops have occupied Sun three miles beyond Kassassin.

ISMAILIA, Aug. 29.—The firing began on Monday evening between the advanced posts of the enemy and the British.

EDWARD H. ROSE, PRINCIPAL.

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A TONY DEFAUTIER.

GALVESTON, Aug. 29.—A Dallas special says, William Jim Grant, alleged cousin of ex-President Grant, is guilty of a deplorable offense.

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