

ROBBERY.

The Hon. Mr. C. lodged at the Crown Fortnight previous to as going out as an Aid in the company of Mr. Bradbury is in possession of a snuff-box, made in which he handed twelve, when Bradbury Blue Post Inn, where he missed his box, to inquire for it. He had not heard of such left it there it would first thing in the morning recover his box; in from he communicated knowledge of it, and Bradbury, as an extra bed room had been and sails, in the course his way to a Jew's in a watchmaker, to desire offered to him for sale, e to him. When Mr. Bradbury had supped not know any thing of the matter, he was informed most solemnly that this inquiry had been made in the room of the amount of £32, up Hamadryda, of a la; the purser of the chain, and two gold were on the second. These discoveries about the house, and the house continued in whole of the day on offering rewards for the detection of the thief about the loss of the crown against several being discovered during the landlord or the character and saying that Mr. Grant the public office, d to him, who wrote down. The officer proceeding into the possession of every Bradbury expressed that they saw Mr. Grant in; the land- lord told him he was a robber that had C. however, knew before expressed no red glad to see him. He said the thief, and Rivett proposed the house generally by all. The C. appeared to be begin with him first, which Mr. and instantly deli- d box-s. which he dia. He accompa- and others being de a strict search, of a suspicious na- respectful man- and part of his du- s person; till this a high spirits: he used, and changed search him, as a that every body icer and Bradbury He then slipped forgiveness beg- down on his knees ded to search Mr.

find two characters, whose acquirements and virtues might procure them respect and attention in any country—I mean the late Charles O'Connor of Ballinagar, and the late Doctor Curry. To the exertions of these two gentlemen and their associates, who were then very few in number, but who were in the habit of meeting generally once a year in the metropolis, we must impute the relaxation of the penal code. They were in fact the committee of the Irish catholics, and the first beam of liberty, presented them with a liberty to take leases for 999 years, and to purchase property.—The lease to the catholics, previous to that time, was almost in every instance renewed, no doubt, under an advanced rent, which his protestant neighbour, possessing the advantage of his freehold, seldom experienced. Under this privilege the gold of the catholics soon appeared in the market, which had been laid past for many years. Few of them had been engaged in trade; to purchase they had not been permitted, and an idea extremely prevalent, that to receive interest on a loan was nothing short of usury, altogether rendered their cash useless to themselves, and useless to the state; it was in fact, capital locked up.

In process of time the committee was enlarged—they were, from time to time, pressing their wretched condition on the attention of men in power. The castle was deaf and dumb, until finding, that was not the time to stop the progress of catholic claims, they chose to adopt the old expedient of dividing; and, accordingly, the then government imposed on the credulity of the catholic nobility; they induced them to think, that they alone were the organ through which any application from the catholics should come. They tampered with their judgments and their understandings, and actually induced them, to the number of 93, I think, to sign a resolution, setting forth, that the catholics of Ireland were the happiest people in Europe, at least as happy as the most contented of his Majesty's subjects could be. In short, their cup of bliss was so full, the addition of a drop would only serve to overflow it. Strange to tell, however, the catholic gentlemen thought otherwise, & resolved to take the catholics at large. At one of their meetings, the celebrated letter, signed "E. BYRNE," who at that time acted either as chairman or secretary, was circulated through every part of Ireland; it called upon the catholics to select proper persons, to meet in Dublin, for the purpose of considering the most effectual means of bringing our disabilities before his Majesty. That meeting took place, to whose firmness and labour we are so highly indebted. They resolved to petition the King. The castle endeavoured to defeat the attempt, by trying to get possession of the instrument, under the pretence that it might be transmitted in the usual way. But the trick was discovered, and a deputation from the catholic body presented the grievances of the catholics of Ireland at the foot of the throne. To our most gracious sovereign, whose present suffering we must all ever deplore, catholic gratitude should never cease. It is to him we stand indebted for all the blessings we now enjoy, for all the relief granted to us. He became our advocate; forced the consideration of our condition on our most hardened opponents; and gave his royal assent to the act in favour of his loyal catholic subjects in 1793.—The advantages were great; the bar and the army were, in some measure, thrown open, and many other privileges restored. On that occasion you resumed the elective franchise by which the complaint was removed that taxation without representation was inadmissible.—Look to the elective franchise, and let me inform you that you are every way called on to consider that power, and how you exercise it well. If you are to be guided by corruption, or influence perhaps equally unprincipled, and that you put in members who do not care 3d. for you or your country, or for any thing but themselves, the privileges of a freeholder may, and will prove a curse in place of a blessing to you and your offspring. I need not tell you that the justice and necessity of obtaining a full participation of the British Constitution rendered the continuance of your committee necessary, and none of you can be strangers to their struggles; how often your humble petitions have been presented to the Imperial Parliament—and every discussion has added to the rank and importance of your friends; nor can you be insensible to the attempts now making to blast your hopes, under the pretence that your mode of addressing the Parliament is in opposition to the convention act. In the name of common sense, what better plan can be devised, circumstanced as you are? If you were the inhabitants of a

tion on that occasion. Could you be so lost to every sense of reason, as to suppose that the safety of the state, or the success of catholic claims can ever be ensured by such lawless combinations? I shall only go to state, as far as regards the catholic, there is not a riot or tumult of this sort, that does not injure our cause; and let me call on every man who hears me, to use every influence in his power to put down and crush such abominable undertakings. No, gentlemen, it is not by the quarrels or profligacy of such men, that your rights are to be restored; you have only one path to follow, and that is a plain one—namely, representing your condition, in conjunction with your catholic brethren, to the Imperial Parliament. Keep the constitution in your eye, and act under the canopy of the law, and I have no doubt but you will shortly participate in all the rights and privileges of your fellow-subjects.

[Here follow the resolutions, which were read by John B. Kennan, of Ballyshannon, Esq. and were nearly similar to those passed at other catholic meetings.]

BIRTH—Monday night, at Custom-house-place, the lady of Charles M. Namara, Esq. of a daughter.

MARRIED—On Friday last, George Pennell, Esq. of Cottage, county Tipperary, to Elizabeth, daughter of Wilcocks Phelps, Esq. of Dublin.—Saturday last, at St. Nicholas's church, Cork, by the Rev. Mr. Donovan, Mr. William Atkins, of that city, to Susanna, third daughter of William Dowe, Esq. late of Wilton-hill, in said county.—On Monday morning, by special licence, at Glinsnevin, by the Rev. Wm. Hughes, Prebendary of Clonethen, and Chaplain to his Grace the Lord Lieutenant, Compton Donville, Esq. of Santry-house, co. Dublin, to Elizabeth Frances Lindsay, daughter of the Hon. and Right Rev. the Bishop of Kildare, one of his Majesty's Most Hon. Privy Counsellors in Ireland.

DIED—This morning, at his seat at Ballycahane, Robert Briscoe, Esq. one of the Aldermen of this city, having been elected to, and served the office of Mayor for two successive years. In his official situation, he deservedly obtained the respect and esteem of his fellow-citizens; and in private life, no one was more universally admired, for every quality, that sheds a lustre on the characters of the husband, the father, and the friend.—In the West Indies, Lieut. Fermell, of the 5th West India regt. and son to the Rev. Charles Fermell, of Mitchelstown, co. Cork.—On the 15th instant, at the seat of his father, after a tedious illness, which he endured with manly fortitude and pious resignation, Lieut. James Willington, late of the 45th regt. and son to John Willington, Esq. of Killyshehane, county Tipperary—a young man, whose gentle manners and endearing manners made him universally esteemed by those who had the pleasure of his acquaintance, and his premature death is sincerely lamented by his numerous and respectable relations and friends.—At his seat, Myshall-lodge, co. Carlow, Robert Cornwall, Esq.—In Dublin, Joseph Houghton, Esq.—On the 18th inst. at his house in Blarney-lane, Cork, Mr. John Hayes.—Saturday morning, on the Grand Parade, Cork, Mr. Robert Barrett.

EXPORTS.—Caledonia, for Plymouth, 13 tons butter, Harvey and Fisher; 5 tons do. Fisher, Mark & Fisher; 400 brls wheat, J. & W. Hill; 100 brls pork, 60 brls. wheat, R. & T. Westropp.—The Betsey and Peggy, for Cork, 656 brls. oats, and 142 brls. barley, Harvey and Fisher.

TO BE SOLD,
A PAIR OF WELL-TRAINED HANDSOME
Carriage Horses.
Enquire of the Printer.
Limerick, Oct. 25.

CATHOLIC AFFAIRS.
PUBLISHED this Day, at the Office of this Paper,
A REVIEW, by the Author of the Letters to
HENRY EDWARD TAFFER, Esq. of the justification of
Mr. POLE'S ARREST of the CATHOLIC DELE-
GATES, supposed to be written by a Crown Lawyer of
great celebrity.—Price 2s. 6d.
Limerick, October 25.

COUNTY OF LIMERICK.