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IRELAND.

A correspondent of the Watertown Jeffersonian, now in Ireland, writes from Reykjavik, the capital of the island, that it is a neat town of twelve hundred inhabitants, with a cathedral and college.

THE STEP-LADDER.

A sparrow caught a big blue-bottle fly upon a weeping willow. He buzzed—Phil held him by the throat, "No, let me go, there's a good fellow."

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