

THE HONORABLE JOHN MORRISSEY. AN HOUR IN THE XLth CONGRESS.

Washington, March 7th, 1867.—The House was called to order, Mr. Niblack in the chair. Mr. Morrissey called the question of the previous day, and wanted to know if it was time for a recess. The chair decided the gentleman out of order.

Mr. Morrissey—Mr. Speaker, I want to know if this is a free country. Mr. Kelley—Not yet. I call the question. Mr. Morrissey—You can't crowd me to the ropes that way. Mr. Speaker, I want my question answered.

The Speaker decided the gentleman out of order, and directed the Clerk to read the bill offered by Mr. Washburne day before yesterday. Mr. Washburne—I rise, Mr. Speaker, to elucidate or explain some of the articles of the bill offered by me, which do not appear to have been perfectly understood by its opponents.

Mr. Washburne—I would explain to the gentleman, but— Mr. Morrissey—Don't but me sir; I've got more money than any man in this house, and I can lick any man who wants to maltreat the truth.

Mr. Morrissey continued; if Izy Lazarus is in this room I want to see him. The Speaker—The gentleman, my colleague does not understand the rules of the House; I hope the gentleman will have a little patience.

At this juncture a dice box was presented to Mr. Morrissey. Mr. Speaker, I claim the floor. Mr. Morrissey—You can't have it. Mr. Kelley—I think I understand this matter. The gentleman from New York having broken— Mr. Morrissey, much excited—I'm not broke, nor there ain't a man in this room that can break me, or make me ask to be let up. I'll not have my character and reputation frizzled in this room nor any other place as long as my name is John Morrissey.

Mr. Stens—Has hell broke loose that would a bar room for my part— Mr. Morrissey—I want to know what that means; I've not been in this room since here one, and got more stuff in my place at Saratoga than would buy this whole concern.

Mr. Boyer—This, Mr. Speaker, this is very distressing. Mr. Kelley—Not more so than the rest. Mr. Boyer—I appeal to the chair. Mr. Niblack—I wish to call— Mr. Morrissey—A dunder.

Mr. Farnsworth—In God's name, Mr. Speaker, are we the representatives of a civilized and enlightened people— Mr. Morrissey—Four jacks and an ace. Mr. Lynch—Mr. Speaker if a party— Mr. Morrissey—Democracy and the fifth district forever.

A voice in the gallery, Bully for you; now you've got him. Fifty to five that Jack wins the pot. Great excitement. Mr. Schindler—Am astonished. It is no wonder that England has the finest riding men; and he assisted them in getting out of their unfortunate position. In the darkness of the night both officers lost their hats in the creek. Price's came floundering in the stream, the horse took the rocky road, and made his escape. Officers Brady and Price were in the water under the buggy, while the horse was kicking around terribly. Brady crawled out from under the vehicle, took hold of the horse and got him on his feet. The buggy over, and then interested himself in the welfare of his companion. The cries of the two officers for help brought to their assistance a number of spectators who were riding by, and he assisted them in getting out of their unfortunate position.

to be placed on board for the purpose of pumping her clear of water, and if afloat she will proceed to New York or be allowed out. Removal of an Interesting Relic. Another interesting relic of the London of past times is about to be removed. Kensington Church, it is reported, will be pulled down in a few months, being in an unsafe state. It is not a large nor a handsome building, but it has some pleasant associations which will make us regret its loss.

When it was built, says the London Review, does not appear in any of the records; yet that it is older than the time of Addison is evident from its appearance, and no doubt that was the church the essayist attended when he was living in state at Holland House. Its plain, old-fashioned brown brick with white dressings, its little tower and pillars, trees in the courtyard, are in harmony with the quaint, warmed houses by which it is surrounded; besides which, there is a certain repose in the very aspect of old buildings, which suits the grave, meditative character of a literary resort such as Kensington once was. In Leigh Hunt's "Old Court Square" it is stated that, "what with partial rebuildings and wholesale repairs, the church has been altered since the year 1688, nearly a dozen times."

It is the Church of St. James, and was built by the Countess of Warwick, a daughter of Francis Colman, father of George Colman, the elder, and grandfather of the younger George; and she herself, she says, was the author of the "Life of Erasmus" and the Rev. Martin Madan, author of a book called "Theophora" (Female Ruin), in which he recommends polygamy as a remedy for seduction; Erasmus, who was a tutor of Martial; Mrs. Inchbald; Spofforth, the glee composer; John Mill, the historian of British India, and father of Mr. John Stuart Mill; and few other notable names. Some beautiful and affecting remarks on the old churchyard, on the cultivation of flowers on graves, and on the associations of death generally, are contained in Leigh Hunt's work already alluded to, in the chapters devoted to Kensington Church.

POLICEMEN IN A FREQUENTATION.—The Wheeling Register says: Night before last four of our city policemen started out on the National Road in pursuit of a horse thief. Two of the officers, Noah Price and John Brady—were in a buggy, and two were on foot. When some distance from the city, the officers in the buggy left the pike and took up Wheeling track. They had not proceeded a great distance before they heard a horse coming up the road at a rapid pace. Supposing the rider of the beast to be the thief and the animal, the stolen property, they wheeled round and came back at a furious speed. In turning a sharp corner, where the road was narrow, the officers, horse and all were precipitated over a rocky embankment into the creek. They fell seven feet, into about three feet of water. While they were splashing and floundering in the stream, the horse took the rocky road, and made his escape. Officers Brady and Price were in the water under the buggy, while the horse was kicking around terribly. Brady crawled out from under the vehicle, took hold of the horse and got him on his feet.

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