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We have in Dublin a little society established for the purpose of keeping the Mesmeric fire alive It works along very quietly, as it were under the strata of society, occasionally coming to the surface and always with some startling intelligence. The latest shock given is,—that the late Most Rev. Dr. Whatley was a thorough believer in, and patron of Clairvoyance, and frequently used information which he derived Clairvoyantly. It is also stated that his Grace brought over to Dublin a professional "medium," in the person of Madame Prudence Bernard, whose wonderful powers were exhibited frequently before the clergy, at the Palace, and that very many of the rev. gentlemen were convinced of the truth of Clairvoyance. It is rather awkward raking up a matter like this, after his Grace's death, but the society say they were not at liberty to mention the fact during his lifetime. Certain, it the fact were known during the visit of Madame Prudence, it would have lent some additional interest to her performance, although it might not have been so creditable to his Grace—now that the affair has got wind, I have no doubt we will hear something more on the subject before long.