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MR. BERNARD CAVANAGH THE FASTING MAN.

This extraordinary Natural Phenomenon, whose extreme powers of Abstinence have been tested and admitted in Ireland by the Hon. and Rev. Mr. GORE, Dean of Killalla, and by many other Clergymen, both Protestants and Romanists, in that country, and in London by two Committees of Medical Men, will receive company at his rooms,

263, STRAND,

Opposite St. Clement's Church, during the week, from 11 till 4.

ADMITTANCE ONE SHILLING.

Mr. BERNARD CAVANAGH, whose singular gift of Abstinence has attracted the attention of the Medical and Philosophical World, is now in his Twenty-ninth year. He is of an amiable temper, and unobtrusive manners. His first Long Fast commenced at the death of his mother, which took place nearly six years ago, *since that period he has not tasted any Food whatever.* At Claremorris, in Ireland, a Committee of Gentlemen were empaneled, to test the truth of this statement. It may be as well to mention, that the Hon. and Rev. Mr. GORE, Dean of Killalla, (who certified to the truth of this trial,) is Brother to the Duchess of Inverness, the Consort of the Illustrious Duke of Sussex.

The following is an Extract from the *London Times*, of October 28rd, 1841.—“ Oct. 12, 1841. We, the undersigned, saw Bernard Cavanagh, the fasting man, generally so called, entirely denuded of his clothes, and examined in our presence, as to the possibility of concealing any food about his person, and are of opinion it was not possible that any food, even in the smallest quantity, could have been concealed on his person. We also state, that a fresh suit of clothes, which had been substituted without his previous knowledge, for those which he wore when he entered the room, were put on him.

“ He was subsequently confined in a room, and our seals affixed to the door, and the keys delivered to DR. EDWARD BLUNDELL. We also observe, that the windows, doors, and chimney were all sealed.

“ E. S. BLUNDELL, M.D.

J. SPENCER, Druggist.

“ J. T. REEVE, Surgeon.

J. EYLES, Surgeon-Dentist,

“ PETER KENNEY, M.D.

and the writer of this statement.

“ He remained locked up, without having access to any one, or any one of course having access to him, until Thursday, the 21st, when the door was opened in the presence of the gentlemen whose names are appended to the certificate, with two exceptions, and about thirty others. Examinations were made, as to the bed, the seals on the windows, the fire-place, and doors, and the gentleman who held the seals was perfectly satisfied that they had remained in the same state as when they were affixed, and all the others, that no traces of *ingesta* or *egesta* were to be discovered.”

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H. BERNARD CAVANAGH THE FASTING M.A.M.

The extraordinary Medical Examination, whose extensive powers of diagnosis have been fully and exhaustively tested by the Hon. and Rev. Sir John, Dean of Exeter, and by many other Clergymen, both Protestants and Romanists, in that country, and in London by two Companies of Medical Men, will receive company at the rooms,

263, STRAND,

Opposite St. Clement's Church, during the week from 11 till 4.

ADMITTANCE ONE SHILLING.

The Hon. and Rev. Sir John, Dean of Exeter, has written to Mr. Bernard Cavanagh, M.A.M., that he is now in his native country, and that he is prepared to receive him at his residence, in the town of Exeter, at any time, and on any terms, which may be desired. Mr. Cavanagh, in reply, has written to the Dean, expressing his pleasure in the prospect of a personal interview, and that he is ready to go to Exeter, at any time, and on any terms, which may be desired. Mr. Cavanagh, in reply, has written to the Dean, expressing his pleasure in the prospect of a personal interview, and that he is ready to go to Exeter, at any time, and on any terms, which may be desired.

The following is an extract from the Exeter Standard of the 13th of October 1841:—
 "On the 13th of October 1841, Mr. Bernard Cavanagh, the fasting man, was brought to Exeter, and examined by the Dean of Exeter, and by many other Clergymen, both Protestants and Romanists, in that country, and in London by two Companies of Medical Men, will receive company at the rooms, 263, Strand, during the week from 11 till 4. Admittance one shilling."

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