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Doyle, the Negro Abductor. It seems, from the information at Lexington, that a Mr. Doyle has been the active agent in getting up the recent stampede among the negroes of Fayette county. The fellow seems to have a peculiar penchant for getting into serious scrapes. His first essay in the business was in an attempt to excite public indignation against the Catholics, and to gain for himself the silvery favors of the Protestants. He endeavored to create the impression, and to fill the ear of Kentucky with an awful tale of an attempt on the part of the Catholics to murder him by a pistol shot, for having left their communion. He succeeded in his work of humbuggery to some extent, although the editor of the Catholic Advocate, in this city, made a complete exposure of the whole affair, and, in doing so, used no other testimony than Doyle's own statement. We cannot see how any one could read this exposition without getting a cor-

rect understanding of Mr. Doyle.

For a short time he was educated at the expense of some Protestant gentlemen. We next hear of him in Cincinnati, in a lawyer's office, and a very short time since, he was introduced to the police agents of Louisville by an attempt to sell two free negroes from Ohio, to some of the negro traders for the South. The exact felony was not proved against him, but there was sufficient proof to justify the Court to hold him to bail for good behavior, and in default of bail, he was sent to the work-house. He feigned imbeculity in this case, and when he found he had to go to the work-house, he played the mahingerer so well that he was sent to the Hospital .-From this place he made his escape, and next turns up at Lexington, engaged in the giant stampede of negroes from the interior of Kentucky. His object was an interested one, of course, and from his former conduct, we have no doubt that if he could have got these slaves to Ohio he would have claimed his reward, and would then, for another reward, have aided their masters in recovering as many of them were within his reach. The anti-slavery men should not claim Mr. Doyle as a martyr in their cause .- Louisville Courier .