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INCIDENTS OF THE LAND WAR.

BEATING A BAILIFF.

A correspondent writes:—
On Wednesday, the 29th ult., the town of Elphin was crowded with fully 6,000 peasantry from all the Land League branches in the neighborhood. The Croghan, Creeve, and Clonfolough life and drum bands were in attendance. About 150 policemen were also present. The cause of all this display was the trial of Michael Lynch, sr., Mich. at Lynch, jr., Patrick Duigan, and about a dozen other members of the Croghan Land League, who were charged with obstructing and assaulting a summons-server named Dunbar. The accused were represented by Mr. McKean, solicitor. After hearing the cases, which occupied three hours, the defendants were released on their own bail to appear at the next assizes. On leaving the court the accused were received with the wildest enthusiasm, the bands struck up "See the Conquering Hero Comes," and then proceeded to the house of Mr. Peter Kelly, where the people were addressed by Messrs. Patrick Sloane, Dominick Conway, John Mulhern, &c.

BOYCOTTING MR. BENGE JONES'S BUTTER.

A correspondent of the *Cork Daily Herald* says:—
During the summer months, in addition to the ordinary butter market held in Olona-killy on Friday, butler is also brought into town on Tuesdays, and bought by local buyers and persons appointed by a few of the Cork merchants who attend on Fridays. For some time past it appears those in charge of Mr. Benge Jones's farm and dairy send in the butter to market by some of the neighbors and by that means dispose of it. On last Tuesday the Cork merchant who usually bought it, having been made aware of who the owner was, refused buying. It was then offered to the other buyers, who likewise refused, and it had to be taken back unsold. It was stated that firkins were purchased in town for the purpose of having it skinned and disposed of elsewhere.

A SCHOOL BOYCOTTED.

The *Cork Herald* of Saturday last says:—
Yesterday the inhabitants of the town of Bantry were rather astonished to see some fifty or sixty boys and girls from the Kilkeel National School (about four miles from the town) march through the streets bearing green boughs and cheering repeatedly. They were divided into sections, each under the charge of a monitor, and marched from house to house, Mr. Gibbooly's house, and obsequed for the secretary of the Land League. After proceeding through the streets, they departed to their homes. The cause of this unusual demonstration was the boycotting of a national school at Kilkeel, in consequence of the son of a former named Connors, who had given evidence against Mr. T. M. Healy, M.P., at the Winter Assizes, attending the school.

BOYCOTTING AT AN AUCTION.

The *Irish Times* on Monday has the following:—
At the Athlone petty sessions on Saturday, Thomas Hogan, Patrick Bohan, Thomas Bohan, and Martin Tracey were charged that in April last they unlawfully assembled at Mount Florence, in the county of Roscommon, and prevented John Flynn from doing a certain act which he had a legal right to do, namely, to bid for and become the purchaser of the grazing of the lands of Mount Florence. It was stated that on the occasion of the grazing land being auctioned Flynn had to cease bidding, owing to the fear he was in from the conduct of the defendants. For the defence it was argued that Tracey and Bohan had not been sufficiently identified, that the Crown had not proved their case, that no evidence of intimidation had been given, and the bidding was not interrupted until Flynn had addressed Tracey, and as to the assaults such a large crowd being present, it was almost impossible to say who struck Flynn, if he was struck.

The bench discharged Tracey and Thomas Bohan, and fined the other defendants 40s. each, or two months' imprisonment, with hard labor.

THE GRANT TO A "SUSPECT" FAMILY.

The *Cork Herald* of Monday says:—
The payment of the £1 a week outdoor relief given by the Macroom Board of Guardians to the wife of the suspect Matthew Healy Ballyvourney, was stopped by the relieving officer after the first payment, and on Saturday he was reprimanded by the chairman of the meeting, and a resolution was carried in favor of continuing the £1 a week relief.

NEWS AND GOSSIP.

California speculators in stocks who invest large sums are called "high rollers."

Vanity Fair says that attempts are still making in England to introduce persecutions for opium, which have a tendency to drive sane men to madness and madmen to commit murder.

A gentleman writing to a sporting journal says of a man who was reported as having died of hydrophobia that if it had not been for the dog the whiskey would not have killed him, and that if it had not been for the whiskey the dog would not have killed him.

An American, while eating roast clams at Long Branch the other day, made a bull. While struggling hard to open a pair of shells with knife and fork he exclaimed, "This is the most striking instance of the instinct of self-preservation that I remember to have seen!"

Edward Peacock, writing of early Scotland speaks of the extraordinary prejudice that because our forefathers lived in houses not more commodious perhaps than modern stables they were therefore barbarians. "It is," says he, "not in novels alone that we find men characterized as savages because they do not use forks at dinner."

An invention for easing the strain on horses in starting horse cars has been in six months' successful service in Boston. A little pedal touched by the driver's foot puts the device into operation. It connects the tongue of the car with a lever, which operates a latchet, taking hold of a cogwheel on the axle, thus easing the dead pull nearly one half.

At a civil service examination of candidates for sheriff last week, in a Colorado city the venerable judge who presided asked an applicant from Jim Creek Canyon what were the most important duties of his office. "Shoot your man first and arrest him afterward." The Jim Creek candidate received the nomination, and all hands drank whiskey straight while standing.

A few years ago, when Dio Lewis was the rage, he said that people who ate many tomatoes would lose their teeth. There are many people who are fond of a raw tomato, but who cannot eat one with oil and vinegar. The acid of the tomato mingles very nicely with the sugar and a little salt, and is, said not to be disagreeable in small quantities, to people who suffer from indigestion.