

SUMMARY OF IRISH NEWS.

Antrim.

An accident resulting in the loss of two lives occurred in Larnoo Harbor on the night of October 1st. Three fishermen from Portrush had arrived in their vessel, the *Foison*, and anchored in the Lough, nearly opposite the coastguard station. On the night mentioned they were returning to their vessel in a punt, and when almost alongside, one of them, who was sculling, dropped his oar, and by some unaccountable means the punt was upset, and the three men precipitated into the water. Some of the crew of a Danish schooner near by succeeded in rescuing one of the men named Elliott; but the other two were drowned. Their names were Martin Ross and David Bacon. The bodies had not been recovered up to last accounts.

Armagh.

Mr. Peter Quinn, J. P., died on October 5th, at his residence, Drombanagher, co. Armagh. He was agent for estates in Armagh, Down, Tyrone, Monaghan, Longford, and Tipperary. He was also Vice-Chairman of the Newry Board of Guardians, and was over 80 years of age.

Clare.

The Clare friends and admirers of the veteran patriot, Colonel The O'Gorman Mahon, M. P., whose remains were interred at Glasnevin, in June, 1891, have determined to perpetuate his memory by the erection of a monument over his grave. Mr. M. Studdert Gibson, vice-chairman of the Kildysart Board of Guardians and County Director of the South Clare Railway, who has initiated the movement, has received numerous promises of support. Mr. Gibson holds the sword of the departed warrior which was presented to him as a mark of the esteem in which he was held by The O'Gorman Mahon.

Cork.

On October 2nd, a tragic event, resulting in the death of Mr. Philip Attridge, proprietor of the Commercial Hotel, took place at Schull. It appears that some trifling dispute arose between Mr. Attridge and one of the employees, an hostler, named John Coughlan, employed in the posting establishment connected with the hotel. Some angry words passed between the employer and employee, when the former struck Coughlan a blow of his clenched fist, causing him to bleed from the nose and mouth. A younger brother of Coughlan's, named Timothy, driver and stableman to Mr. Dale, the local constabulary officer, happened to be passing by at the time, and seeing his brother bleeding, in the heat of the moment, he struck Mr. Attridge a blow which sent him reeling backward, and falling heavily on his head, he was taken up in an unconscious state, in which condition he remained until he expired next morning.

Donegal.

A monument to the memory of the brilliant poet of Ballyshannon, the late Mr. Allingham, is about being erected on the central pier of the bridge.

Down.

On October 2nd a number of boys went to bathe in a pond near Killeel. After they had been in the water some time, one of them a lad named William Owens, got out on the bank and dived in again. He struggled to get out of the water, but being a poor swimmer he sank, and never came to the surface again. His youthful companions were unable to render him any assistance, but ran to inform his parents of the occurrence. After along search the body was recovered.

Dublin.

Arrangements are already on foot for the grand celebration of the Maynooth Centenary, which takes place next June. The first meeting of the distinguished committee appointed for the occasion took place on Oct. 4th, under the presidency (at the opening) of Cardinal Logue. A large body of the clergy, representing every diocese in Ireland, assembled at the meeting. Most Rev. Dr. Browne, Rev. Dr. Healy, Coadjutor Bishop of Clonfert; Most Rev. Dr. O'Donnell, Bishop of Raphoe; and Most Rev. Dr. Owens, Bishop of Clogher, were also present. The committee held a lengthened consultation on various matters suggested for their consideration, and adopted a series of resolutions, to be submitted to the Board of Trustees of the College at their next meeting.

Galway.

A telegram from Woodford, dated October 2d, says:—"Great excitement prevails in Woodford to-day, over news which has been received, stating that during last night three houses which have just been built by Lord Clanricarde, in the hope of getting "planters," to live in them were completely destroyed. The affair is shrouded in mystery. All that is definitely known at present is that two houses have been blown to pieces and the other completely burned down. Each of the buildings stood on the site of a homestead from which a tenant had been evicted." Subsequent dispatches state that the damage done was not so serious as at first reported. There was one house shattered by an explosion; another was burned; how is not stated. The police are making extensive searches; and among other houses searched were some occupied by the emergency men.

Kerry.

By permission of the Bishop, Most Rev. Dr. Coffey, a collection is being made

throughout the diocese, to raise funds for the replacing of the existing structure used as a Catholic place of worship at Glengarriff by a more suitable building.

Kilkenny.

On September 37th, a car loaded with fowl, the property of Mr. Slater, fowl and poultry dealer, was overturned in Parliament street, Kilkenny, opposite the police barracks. At the time of the occurrence, Mr. and Mrs. Slater were in the car, after returning from the Urlingford fair. Both were precipitated to the ground; but, with the exception of a shock, they suffered very little injury.

Limerick.

The Naas Petty Sessions Court, on October 1st, Patrick Joseph Wall, farm laborer, in the employment of a farmer named John Meenehan, of Cooltrim, near Donadea, was put forward in custody charged on remand with stealing the sum of £91, the property of his employer, on the fair day of Naas, the 19th ult. The prisoner was returned for trial to the next Quarter Sessions at Naas.

King's County.

An inquest was held, on Sept. 26th by Coroner Corcoran, at Sharavogue, Birr, touching the death of James Carey, a young laborer, who had met with a shocking death, the day before. It appeared that deceased was employed by Mr. R. Murray, an extensive farmer at Coolderry, to attend a threshing machine. His business was to mind the horses, and he had to sit up behind them on a projecting seat or arm. Shortly after the threshing commenced, he toppled off the seat and fell into the machinery, then being worked at full speed. His legs were almost severed from his body, and it was with difficulty that his mangled remains could be extricated. Struggle to say, though unconscious, he was still living. The Rev. Father Grace, who lives close by, was summoned, but before he arrived the poor fellow expired. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death, exonerating all parties from blame.

Limerick.

We regret to have to announce the death, on October 5th, of Alderman Jerome Counihan, of Limerick, proprietor and editor of the *Junster News*—a sterling National journal which succeeded the *Limerick and Clare Examiner*, which had been started, during the "Repeal" agitation, by the late Patrick Lynch, who subsequently became the founder of the *Irial American*, in 1849. Alderman Counihan has been ailing for about a week; but not till the morning of his death was any doubt entertained of his ultimate recovery. The news of his demise will be received with genuine regret wherever he was known, both as a public man and a journalist.

Longford.

On Sept. 29th, an inquest was held on the body of a child named Howard, in Longford Courthouse, by Mr. J. McGaver, Coroner. Death was caused by a cart running over the neck of the child while it was creeping from the footpath in St. Joseph's street. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death; but Leacky, the driver of the cart was arrested and remanded to Mullingar jail.

Louth.

On Saturday, Sept. 29th, there arrived in Drogheda, from Dublin, the first of the splendid peal of bells intended for the Oliver Plunkett Memorial Church. It was brought on a carriage, by itself, a team of horses, supplied by Mr. Monaghan, hauling it by road. It is one of the largest bells in any of the provinces, and was cast in Mr. Byrne's foundry, James' street Dublin. The founder says it is the largest that ever issued from the works, and he has supplied bells for several of the principal churches throughout the country. It is beautifully proportioned, stands some six feet in height, has a diameter of five feet eight inches, and weighs up to three tons.

Mayo.

At Altringham, England, on October 5th, six Irish laborers were charged with causing the death of Thomas Meakin, aged 20, a native of Shrophire, employed as an agricultural laborer on a farm near Altringham. In the course of a drunken affray Meakin was stabbed with a pitchfork, and died two or three days after. The evidence showed that the Irishmen had received great provocation. The jury found a verdict of manslaughter against John Gallagher, Patrick Durkin, and Patrick Gallagher, and censured a farmer's son, named William Daniel, for taking part in the affray. The prisoners were from Mayo.

Queen's County.

On the morning of October 5th, the body of a man named Edward Gleeson was found in a horribly mutilated state, on the Great Southern and Western Railway line at a place called Caddagh, about a mile and a half from Mountbush station. The deceased was employed on the railway as a mileman. On the previous night he was on duty as a fogsman. The night was very dark and foggy, and it appears that he had been up the previous night also, on duty, got no sleep next day, and resumed duty on that night at one o'clock, after which nothing more was heard from him until the other mileman, who went on to relieve him, found his body fearfully mangled on the railway track. It is believed the deceased was overcome with sleep, and was killed by the mail train at 2 o'clock this morning.



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Sligo.

The Lord Chancellor has issued the Commission of the Peace for Sligo to the Mayor, Mr. John Connolly.

It appears that the Tories of Sligo have made up their mind to continue the policy of aggression and insult against their Nationalist fellow-townsmen. They have lodged objections against twenty-one burgesses, of whom sixteen are Catholic clergymen. Of course most, if not all of these objections are bogus, and will be scouted out of court; but this priest-hunting policy will not be forgotten when the annual Tory whine about the Mayoralty is raised next December. Even if the seats now held are retained by the Tories (which they will not be), the Nationalists will still have a majority.

Waterford.

On the 30th ultimo, a sad shooting fatality occurred at a place called Barnashangan, a small village on the county Waterford, estate of Count de la Poer, near Ballymacarbery. Three young men, named Edmond O'Keefe, a laborer, Patrick Walsh, and Francis Duane, respectable young farmers, went shooting outside the village. They started a pheasant in a hilly field and followed it. Duane and Walsh were in front and O'Keefe was behind. Suddenly a partridge sprang up among the three men, and O'Keefe partly raised his gun and fired. The bird fell, and so did Walsh, who was directly in the line of fire. On his companions running to his assistance, they found that some of the shot had lodged in the unfortunate man's left eye, and more had pierced his forehead. Dr. McEniry attended immediately, but could do nothing, the unfortunate man being unconscious. He removed him to his own house, but he died about three quarters of an hour after he received the fatal wound.

Wexford.

For some time past, Messrs. McCredy, solicitors, Dublin, who were entrusted by Lord Templemore with the sale of his county Wexford estates, have been busily engaged at their work on the property, but they have, for the present at least, failed to convince the tenants that the time was opportune to buy, or that the terms under which they offered the estate for sale were such that the tenants could accept the offer. A series of meetings of the tenants have been held at Ramsgrange, and at the final one, which was held, on October 4th, the negotiations were completely broken off.

Wicklow.

On the evening of September 29th, a land slip of very considerable proportions occurred on the Dublin, Wicklow and Wexford Railway, at Bray Head, which, but for the watchfulness of the officers and workmen of the company might have been attended with serious consequences. The accident was not unforeseen, for the engineers of the company were so satisfied that a large piece of rock would come down that they had a number of men actually engaged in its removal. Fortunately for the work they had just left off for their Saturday half-holiday when nature completed the task on which they had been engaged, and before they had stated for home tons upon tons of rock came down. The local train of Graystones passed the place a few minutes after half-past two, and it was between the passing of the train to Graystones and its return that the accident took place. The fall was near the portion of Bray Head known as Ram's Scally, just on the Dublin side of No. 1 tunnel.

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