NEWS FROM IRELAND.

DUBLIN.

In a house in Rutland Square, Dublin, no less than 964 sovereigns were found recently in one of the mansions on the north side of the square by a locksmith. Off one of the rooms where he had been working was a saferoom, with two steps leading down to it. Curiosity led him onward, and, feeling the steps sound hollow he stooped down, and the front of the lower step betrayed signs of the locksmith. He opened this novel cash-box. A tin case disclosed itself at once to his eyes. Nine separate sums of a hundred sovereigns were found to be wrapped up each in paper, and sixty-four sovereigns in another piece of paper, whereon was written the exact sum it contained.

KILKENNY.

The Kilkenny Corporation has petitioned for a loan for public works. The Corporation continues to employ labor. Numbers of unemployed are in the city. In the rural districts the farmers are being forced to discharge several of their workmen, and consequently great distress exists, and graver is apprehended.

KILDARE.

The authorities of Maynooth College received a short time ago a *souvenir* from Vienna of the day when her Majesty, the Empress of Austria, while hunting a stag, unexpectedly arrived at the college gates, and experienced the hospitality of the reverend fathers. The present consists of a representation, in solid silver, of St. George and the Dragon, and in every detail is a beautiful piece of workmanship. Richly chased, every portion of the horse, rider, and dragon is exquisitely designed, while the attitude of the warrior-saint, as, sword in hand, he is about to strike downwards, is extremely animated. Even to the veins and the swelling of the sinews of the horse's legs and the smaller curves of the writhing serpentine form of the dragon the most minute care, the greatest skill, and the strictest regard to anatomical accuracy have been displayed. The weight of the group is 460 ounces.

WESTMEATH.

On Dec. 4th, a farmer named Michael Ball, aged 60 years, who resides at Habsborough, near Ballinea, returning from the Mullingar market, was fired at as he was returning home from Mullingar and three revolver bullets lodged in his back. He managed to drive a short distance, and was attended to by Dr. Kelly. The bullets have not been extracted. Ball acted, for many years, as a bailiff on the estate of the Hon. Montague Mostyn, a gentleman residing in England.

KING'S COUNTY.

An old man named Patrick Deering died while bringing corn for sale to Mullamore, on Dec. 4th. It appears that the deceased was seated on the load, and was seen to fall back into the car. When assistance arrived life was instinct. After hearing the medical evidence, the jury at the inquest returned a verdict of "Death from heart disease."

Informations were sworn on Nov. 30th, by Patrick Killen, a farmer residing near Clara, to the effect that while at market on the previous day a loaded gun was stolen from his house. Evidence was given that a man with a white cloth over his face entered the house and took away the gun. No arrests have been made, and it is not believed that the outrage has any reference to the land agitation. A woman named Mary Cormac was arrested for complicity in the robbery of a gun from the house of Martin Grennan a few days since. Grennan resides in the same locality, but no evidence has as yet been sworn to incriminate the prisoner.

CORK.

The Very Rev. Dr. O'Regan, P. P., of Bantry, a clergyman who enjoyed a very high reputation in the Cork diocese for learning and ability, died on December 4th, at Bantry, after a short illness.

The dead body of a man named Martin O'Brien, residing near Liscarroll, was found on November 30th on the roadside near his residence. The deceased was fired at a short time ago, while sitting in his own house, and wounded. For that injury he recovered £100 compensation at the last assizes. The man was found dead in a ditch on the road leading from the town of Kanturk to his own house. He had been in Kanturk to pay some bills He called into some public-houses, and did not go home that night. Next day, when his family went to look for him, his lifeless body, without a mark or a scratch on it, was found in the ditch by the roadside.

A deputation from unemployed workingmen appeared at Fermoy Union, on December 3rd, to lay their grievances before the Board of Guardians. The burden of their complaint was that "they had nothing to eat, or nothing to do." The Board offered the only remedy they could give—that is, admission to the house. Mr. Bourke, T. C., referred to the waterworks which are to be constructed, and expressed a hope that the Government would not delay their sanction to a scheme which, it is hoped, will give ample employment to the work-people of the district. It is feared that the works cannot be proceeded with until the worst season for the laboring population is past.

The cable tells us that on December 13th Lord Fermoy was assaulted and knocked senseless with a cudgel in the poarch of the Limerick County Club-House by an evicted tenant named Michael Shea. The man was arrested, and tried at the assizes then being held, condemned and sentenced to five years' penal servitude. The quickness of the sentence excited much surprise and indignation.

KERRY.

An inquest was held, on Nov. 30th, at Dineen Clanrig, on the remains of Myles Brenan, the bailiff who was killed by a stone hurled at him by Mrs. Shea, the wife of a farmer on whom deceased was serving a process. The jury found that deceased was killed by a stone thrown by the accused, but would not say whether murder or manslaughter had been committed. The woman was committed for trial at the Limerick Assizes.

LIMERICK.

A large number of able-bodied men were admitted to the Limerick Workhouse, on Dec. 3d, owing to the severity of the weather and the scarcity of employment.

On Dec. 4th, the parish priest of Hospital, county Limerick, waited upon the Kilmallack Board of Guardians, to lay before them the urgent necessity of giving some means of relief. He stated that in his district at present there were one hundred men idle, who, with their families, would either die of starvation or become burdens on the Union if some employment was not afforded to them. Mr. O'Sullivan, M. P., who was present, said the principle of giving loans was a humbug. It was resolved that the Guardians should apply to the Local Government Board to have the Union included in the Unions to which the increased privileges were granted in the way of loans. It was suggested that the landlords should be memorialised to avail of the loans in drainage works.

CLARE.

The *Clare Advertiser* of December 6 says:—"It is stated that the Kilrush Military Barracks, at Cappa, are to be fitted up for beef-eating soldiers in the course of a fortnight. They are welcome. Meat and vegetables must be consumed by them, and turf burned, porter will be sold to wash down the edibles, tobacco smoked—and—well perhaps the other *advantages* may be of a negative character. Won't we shout for Dizzie, Salisbury & Co. Hooray! for a company of sogers to keep slavelings quiet in their slavery and misery."

TIPPERARY.

A number of detectives are in Clonmel watching events, it being believed the agitation is connected with Fenianism. The military authorities have also "taken precautions."

The poor in the neighborhood of Cashel will require immediate employment, and the Town Commissioners are disposed to expend £2,000 in waterworks as soon as Mr. Perke Neuille, C. E., can prepare the plans and specifications necessary.

WATERFORD.

The Waterford *News* of December 5th says:—"A short time since a small farmer in the neighborhood of Cappoquin, tenant to Mr. H. Villiers Stuart, of Dromana, went to him with his rent. In giving it to Mr. Stuart, he said, "This is all in the world I have—I have even sold the only horse I had to pay you—nothing is now left but the land." Mr. Stuart, seeing the truly honest disposition of the tenant, took up the entire sum, which he handed back to the poor man, telling him to go, if he wished, into the farm-yard, and take one of his own horses."

ANTRIM.

A respectable old lady, named Mrs. Jane Quiler, residing in Spruce street, off Donegal Pass, Belfast, was burned to death on December 3d, in her own house, where she had been confined to bed for the last four months. On being alone it would appear she attempted to get out upon the floor, and through weakness had probably fallen into the fire. Her daughter, who lived on the opposite side of the street, was the first to observe the occurrence, but on reaching the house life was extinct.

In the linen trade of the North of Ireland matters still possess an encouraging aspect, and the signs of a revival in business continue. The Irish flax markets have recovered from their partial dullness, and during the past few days all the flax offered was rapidly purchased at good prices.

DOWN.

On Dec. 1st, an inquest was held on the body of a farmer named Lockhart, whose body was found on the Belfast, Holywood, and Bangor Railway, a short distance from Clandeboye, with his legs severed from his body. It is believed that deceased had gone on to the line in a drunken state, that he had lain or fallen down upon the rails, and that while asleep he had been run over by the last train from Belfast for Bangor. There was an Orange ball at Ballyrobert, and there is some reason to believe that deceased had been proceeding to that gathering.

CAVAN.

The barracks at Belturbet are to be prepared for occupation by troops, should it become necessary during the winter.

DERRY.

The Irish Society have issued a rather peremptory notice to their tenantry, in which the agent says:—"Let me have the amount stated either by a credit on one of the Derry banks or by a cash payment at this office, as I have received instructions from the Society that no arrears can be permitted." This is commented upon as showing want of sympathy with their tenants, and the action of the society is contrasted with that of other proprietors in the district, who have made abatements in many instances to the extent of 50 per cent.

An attempt to burn Garvagh Post-office was made by filling the receiver with tow, and then setting fire to the city. Owing to the tightness of the letter box the fire only mouldered, and was confined, but the heat was so intense that it broke the glass above. Had the fire broke through the consequences would be likely to have been serious, as the office is situated in one side of a large woolen Trapery establishment, with sleeping apartments above. Fortunately the letters were received from the recess before the officials removed to bed.

FERMANAGH.

One of the Duke of Abercorn's gamekeepers, at Baronscourt, Enniskillen, was fired at on Dec. 1st. The suspected person has absconded.

GALWAY.

The Government has declined to give the required loan for an extension of railway from Attymon to Loughrea, although a liberal discount was offered for the money to carry on the work, which must now collapse.

MAYO.

At Ballina, on Nov. 29th, a large crowd of unemployed laborers, with their wives and children wretchedly clad, and looking cold and hungry, assembled outside the board-room of the Guardians, and presented a patition for immediate employment or relief. This petition was signed by, amongst others, the Catholic Bishop of Killala, (the Most Rev. Dr. Conway), and the Protestant Rector of Ballina.

Mr. Daly, proprietor of the *Connaught Telegraph*, one of the persons charged with using seditious language, arrived at Castlebar, on Nov. 29th, and was met at the station by a large deputation of his townsmen, who tendered him a warm reception. He was accompanied by his counsel, Mr. Louden.

SLIGO.

On Nov. 27th, a man named Denis Tighe went to collect arrears of a tenant farmer named Regan, who for some time had rented a small holding from an English gentleman named Trumble, at Tighestown, about three milles from Ballymote. Regan, who has been under, "notice to quit" for non-payment of rent, immediately attacked him with a large manure fork, overtook him, after a short chase, knocked him down upon the road, and with the fork inflicted serious injuries upon his head. The wounds received by Tighe are considered to be very serious. Regan in confined in Siligo County Jail.

THE CATHOLIC PRESS.

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