

NEWS FROM IRELAND.

DUBLIN.

A lecture was delivered in the Rotunda, Dublin, on Jan. 4th, by Mr. Charles Dawson, on the influence of an Irish Parliament on Irish Industries. The Lord Mayor presided. That lecturer dwelt on the resources of the country showing how the waste lands might be cultivated, the fisheries developed, minerals, especially coal, profitably worked, and trade and industry made prosperous under a native Parliament. It would be one of the first duties of an Irish Parliament to appoint a commission to investigate the resources of the country. Laws could then be passed for removing barriers that stand in the way of Irish industries and rendering them aid.

There has died, at the Convent of Mercy, Newtownforbes, which she had assisted in founding, Rose, in religion, Sister Mary Philomena, fourth daughter of the late Wm. McCann, Esq., Herbert House, Booterstown, in the 44th year of her age.

TIPPERARY.

The Ballyconroy agrarian dispute has been settled. The evicted tenant, Widow Hourigan, has been formally placed in possession by Mr. Rice, solicitor, Tipperary. The matter was left to the arbitration of the Very Rev. Canon Cahill, Tipperary, and Mr. Cooper Chadwick, whose award was that the reinstated tenant should pay £175 in full discharge of the arrears, £340 to Robert Pratt, landlord; and that in future rent be fixed by the Land Commission Court.

It has been stated that the Most Rev. Dr. Donnelly has been appointed Coadjutor Bishop to the Most Rev. Dr. Power Bishop of Waterford and Lismore. A report is current that Dr. Donnelly will reside in Clonmel.

WATERFORD.

The ceremony of the profession of a nun took place in the chapel of the Convent of Mercy, Westport, on January 14. The young lady was Miss Power, of Waterford, known in religion as Sister Mary Cecilia.

MONAGHAN.

In accordance with a resolution unanimously passed at the County Convention appointing a committee to select a candidate for North Monaghan, in case of a vacancy, the committee met on Jan. 12, in McConville's Hotel, Ballybay. The circular convening the meeting was read, the Very Rev. Dean Birmingham was moved to the chair, and the Rev. Francis Kenna, P. P., appointed secretary to the meeting. It was unanimously resolved—"That in the event of Mr. Healy M. P., sitting for South Derry, we request Mr. Parnell to recommend a candidate for North Monaghan."

KERRY.

An impressive ceremony took place in Charlotte-street Convent, Glasgow, on January 13th, when Miss Ellen Loughlan, of Tarbert, county Kerry, entered the Franciscan Order of Nuns. The novice took for name in religion Sister Mary Bonaventura.

CLARE.

Mr. Thomas McCarthy, Killaloe, was the recipient of a popular ovation, on January 7th, having, in response to the request of the tenants occupying houses in the town granted a reduction of 30 per cent. in the rents.

DERRY.

The tenants on the Londonderry estate forwarded memorials, through Mr. James Brownlow, agent to the Marquis of Londonderry, asking for a reduction in their rents, in consequence of the existing depression in agriculture. To these the Marquis has replied through his agent to the effect that as the rents on the estate were fixed at a time when farm produce was almost about the same prices as at present, he does not see his way to make a general reduction, but that cases of special distress shall have his best consideration.

QUEEN'S COUNTY.

On Jan. 10, a large National demonstration was held near Edenderry, under the presidency of the Parish Priest, Father Kinsella, and was addressed by Sir Thomas Esmonde, M. P.; Mr. James Tuite, M. P.; Dr. Fox M. P.; Mr. J. L. Carew, M. P.; and the Rev. John Behan. One of the resolutions condemned the use of boycotting for personal or selfish purposes.

KILKENNY.

On Jan. 3d, a large National League meeting was held near Ballyragget, county Kilkenny. The Rev. Martin Keogh, P. P., presided. The meeting was addressed by Marum, M. P. and several clergymen and also Mr. Loughlin, J. P. Mrs. Clifford, of Killeshandra, county Cavin, has kindly allowed tenants on her property, Thomastown, county Kilkenny an abatement of 20 per cent. on the

half-years rent due 29th December 1885 as also an abatement of 20 per cent. on the half years rent due March 26th 1886 when payable; besides very liberally considering any special cases of distress presented to her.

LIMERICK.

On January 12, the Most Rev. Dr. Butler went through the ceremony of the vesture of three lay sisters, and the sacred profession and clothing with the black veils of two choir nuns at the convent of the Good Shepherd, Clare street Limerick, which from small beginnings, some forty-five years ago, has grown up to noble proportions, and numbers within its community no less than fifty religious. The young ladies who professed and on whose heads the crowns of flowers were placed were Sister Mary of St. John Chrysostom (daughter of the late John Hapes, Esq., of Cork) and Sister Mary, of St. Francis Borgia (daughter of Captain McCauley, of Belfast). The lay sisters are sister Mary of Paul; Sister Mary of St. Joachim; and Sister Mary of St. Lucy, daughters of respectable parents in the counties of Limerick and Tipperary.

MAYO.

Mr. Peter Timlin died on Jan. 10, at his residence, Garden street, Ballina, aged 22 years. Deceased, who was a student for the priesthood, was some time ago, from ill-health, obliged to leave Mayo.

The partnership in the firm of Dillon & Kenny, Ballina, has been dissolved by mutual consent, Mr. Kenny having purchased the entire interest in the business, which is now carried on by him and his sons—the new firm being styled John J. Kenney & Sons.

An idea of the description of cattle kept in the Island of Achill may be formed from an incident which was related at the Westport Guardian on Jan. 14. One of the Guardians stated that a poor man offered a cow in exchange for a bag of meal, and she would not be taken.

LOUTH.

On Jan. 3rd, in St. Peter's church, Drogheda, the Very Rev. Archdeacon Murphy, P. P., V. E., referred in terms of condemnation to an effort made for the proselytizing of poor children, and trusted that parents and guardians would be very careful and particular in sending their children to Catholic schools. The rev. gentleman announced that he would withhold the Sacraments of the Church from those parents who permitted their children to frequent the proselytizing school referred to. The Rev. Charles McEvoy, C. C., also cautioned parents and guardians against the many snares thrown out to entrap the unwary and poor among them at the cost of conscience. In St. Mary's Church the Very Rev. Thomas Allen, P. P., also referred in scathing terms to the reprehensible proceedings, and mentioned the names of several places in the district where parties resided whom he suspected of being recipients of the soup-ladling of religious belief.

An international congress of Catholic Savants will be held in Paris in April, 1887. The organizing committee, which met in Paris under the presidency of Mgr. d'Hulst, includes the Bollandist, De Smedt, and Professors Gilbert de Harlez, Louvain; Kurth, Liege; de apparent and Duchesne, Paris; de Margire and Vaisson, Lille and Duilhe de Saint Projet, Toulouse. A circular which is soon to be issued by the president will explain the details of the organization, and the plan of the committee's preparatory labors. The Catholic savants of Europe will be invited to join in the congress, which it is expected will, by the result of its deliberations, help materially to make clear the actual state of science and its bearing on Christian Faith.

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The works, throughout, will be let in sections. Maps of the several localities, together with plans and descriptive specifications can be seen at this office, on and after MONDAY, the 11th day of JANUARY next, 1886, where printed forms of tender can be obtained. A like class of information, relative to the works north of Allanburg will be furnished at the Resident Engineer's Office, Thorold; and for works south of Allanburg, plans, specifications, etc., may be seen at the Resident Engineer's Office, Welland.

Contractors are requested to bear in mind that tenders will not be considered unless made strictly in accordance with the printed forms, and in the case of firms, accept there are attached the actual signatures, the nature of the occupation and place of residence of each member of the same; and further, an accepted bank cheque for the sum of "Two Thousand Dollars" or more—according to the extent of the work on the section—must accompany the respective tenders, which sum shall be forfeited if the party tendering declines entering into contract for the works, at the rates stated in the offer submitted.

The amount required in each case will be stated on the form of tender. The cheque or money thus sent in will be returned to the respective parties whose tenders are not accepted.

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