

NEWS FROM IRELAND.

Wicklow.

The strongest evidence of the unfairness of the judicial rents, in view of the fall in the price of produce, is afforded by the action of Lord Fitzwilliam. Griffith's valuation makes his estates worth £47,666. The rental is £49,074. But Lord Fitzwilliam, although on his estate the English system has long been adopted, and all improvements are paid for by the landlord, has reduced his rents for the present half year by fifty per cent. What other reason can be there for making this reduction, except that he thought it only right under the existing circumstances? Here, then, we have a great landlord recognizing, in the most practical manner, the contention of Mr. Parnell, that Irish tenants cannot, even in the best condition is exceptionally advantageous, pay more than half the judicial rents this year.

Wexford.

A representative of the *Wexford People* has visited the Marquis of Ely's tenants in the New House at Wexford. He found them all in good health, and in excellent spirits. They said they were determined to remain in the poorhouse, and their motto is "No surrender."

The Rev. A. Kinsella, C. C. Bennow, died on Oct. 24, at the Parochial residence. The deceased was in his sixtieth year, and although enfeebled for some years was yet apparently in good health. The deceased gentleman, who was the uncle of the Rev. A. Kinsella, Monaghan, was born in 1820, in Clonsilla, and entered St. Peter's College at an early age. From thence he went to Maynooth, where he completed his studies and was ordained in 1856 and shortly after was appointed to the Curacy of Blackwater, after being in several curacies, including Clongeen, Tintern, and Coolroney, he was transferred about four years ago to Banow.

Louth.

At Hucknall, Louth, in the diocese of Nottingham, England, there is being erected a church, school, and presbytery, on land given for the purpose by Mr. and Mrs. James Hanlon. Mr. Hanlon has also donated £1,000 towards the completion of the buildings. Mr. Hanlon left Cooley some years ago to enter the service of Her Majesty's Customs at Liverpool, where, after serving twenty years, he retired four years ago, and settled at Hucknall. A Major Worwick has also contributed £500. Father Macdonnell, the pastor, will soon see a group of ecclesiastical buildings under his charge, which must prove gratifying to his Irish-loving Bishop, the Right Rev. Dr. Bagshaw.

Cork.

Sir Thomas Grattan Emond, M. P., delivered a lecture in Cork, on Oct. 7, on "The Irish Rebellion of 1841." He said Irishmen were accused of being too fond of raking up the memories of the past. Though the wrongs of the past could not be forgotten, they might be forgiven, and, as an instance, he referred to the compliment paid to Mr. Gladstone by Irishmen. He attributed the defeat of Ireland in her early struggles to disunion and treachery; but the Ireland of to-day was a united country, and he was a winning game. They had eagerly seized upon the honest endeavor that was recently made to give to Ireland her own parliament; but they were not ready to accept a peaceful solution they were now as ready to continue the fight. He had no anxiety for the future of their cause. The lecturer was frequently applauded.

Clare.

It is understood that the Sub-Sheriff of Clare has ready writs for 20 evictions in hands for execution, which is looking upon with dismay, being indicative of the realization of the worst predictions concerning the action of the landlords towards the tenants during the winter.

Limerick.

The Most Rev. Dr. O'Day has appointed Rev. T. Graham, C. C. Buff, to be Administrator of C. O. A.

Kerry.

It has been frequently urged that the Irish tenants must be able to pay their rents because these rents are not higher than Griffith's valuation, whilst prices of produce are not lower now than they were then. Putting aside the fact that Griffith's valuation was estimated on a far lower scale of living than is at present deemed legitimate, it would seem that the judicial rents are considerable in excess of Griffith's valuation. In Kerry the judicial rents which were before the Land Courts during the months of April, May, June and July were fixed at £13,031, whilst Griffith's valuation of the holdings dealt with was £8,803. The largest landowner in Kerry is the Marquis of Lansdowne. The judicial rents of six of his tenants amount to £85; Griffith's valuation of their holdings is £62.

Nationalists, and Mr. Michael McCarran

is fighting a stubborn battle with the Orange landlords of South Down, and adding many good men true to the roll. Mr. Reynolds has had a very busy time of it in East Tyrone, and has considerably improved the prospects of the National party in that division of the country.

Armagh.

On October 1st, Lurgan was again the scene of riot and disorder, the disturbances having their origin in Protestant band parades through the principal thoroughfares. When passing Edward street, the Catholic district, the bands played party tunes, and as they were prevented only by the prompt interposition of the constabulary. At eight numerous assaults were committed, and several persons were beaten. One young man named Neill was beaten in a brutal manner, and received a scalp wound, from which he is still profusely bleeding. When he escaped from the mob he was pursued to the house of a barber named Connor, a Catholic, whose door was broken by the violent mob, and Connor was obliged to defend Neill by threatening to shoot his assailants.

Mobs following the Orange bands, granded loudly as they passed the establishments of the Messrs. Donnelly. Stone throwing encounters took place in Edward street, and several shots were fired at the police, who were obliged to charge both mobs in Hill street and Shankhill street. A large number of stones were thrown at Edward street Constabulary Barrack, and some windows were broken in a few private residences.

Fermanagh.

Long impunity has evidently made the Northern landlords utterly reckless as to their dealings with their tenants. Some of these gentry are as insensible to shame as they are to the disgrace of being so. They rob their tenants of their votes, all sorts of mean and shabby devices, and exult in the swindle when they are found out. Of this bare-faced tribe, Captain Barton, who has been before the world in connection with the North Fermanagh Revision, is a fair specimen. He gets about ten tenants, who have sub-tenants, to make them sign away their right to the franchise as inhabitants occupiers under threat of eviction. He will not have anyone on his property who won't vote just as he wishes, and he laughingly pleads guilty to this amiable weakness. However, some of the men whom he has been trying to disfranchise have been kept on the register by Mr. Bell, the Revising Barrister. This decision has aroused the ire of Mr. Davis, solicitor for the Orange party, to a degree which may be unwise. "If you decline to disfranchise this man," said he to the Barrister (referring to the case of a man named McKelone), "you will be dishonouring him. That is to say, Captain Barton would insist on his being turned out."

The Guardians of the Galway Union have set a good example to the rest of Ireland in their resolute effort to pitch the bail-renting, priest-persecuting Mr. Blake neck and crop out of their board room. This gentleman belongs to the class of place-hunters who esteem it an honor to be kicked by the patent leather boots of the aristocracy, a man with lavish sympathy for the "gentry," and a blustering tongue and a brow of brass for the priests and people. It is men like this whose sneers and calumnies are always at the service of the enemies of their religious faith. The popular party were defeated for the time in their effort to oust him from the position of Solicitor to the Board. They were defeated by an unscrupulous master of fossil *ex officio*, but they were defeated by a majority so narrow as to make ultimate success certain. Notice was forthwith given for the same motion at the earliest opportunity, and will be repeated, we trust, until it is carried. The *ex officio* guardians he will not have always with him. A couple of attendances will exhaust their zeal. The popular party throughout the country should take the lesson to heart.

Mayo.

Lord Kilmalee offers Lis Mayo estate for sale to his tenantry.

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CATHOLIC PRESS.

London Universe.

Among the items of news from Ireland this week is one to the effect that a petroleum well has been discovered under the floor of a house in the County of Sligo. The discovery, if it is true, and it is well worth finding place for similar bits of bright promise in the way of intelligence from the West instead of the usual melancholy budget. Not alone literally, but politically, it is to be hoped Ireland may "strike fire" before long.

A Rosary Blessed by Cardinal Newman.

The reproduction here of a paragraph from an English newspaper reciting that Cardinal Newman had at his advanced time of life, was meditating another pilgrimage to Rome, has brought to the attention of the correspondent of the Star an interesting local circumstance connected with the venerable prelate.

Cardinal Newman has a correspondent here, Felix A. Reeve, the assistant solicitor of the treasury department, who, like the cardinal, is a convert to Catholicism from the Church of England. Mr. Reeve married the eldest daughter of the late Horace Maynard, of Tennessee, who, after a short service as minister to Turkey, among the trinkets brought home by the family on their return was a string of Mohammedan prayer beads, about a hundred in number, and made out of shark's teeth. The beads, bought in Constantinople, were curiously wrought and exquisitely polished, and were presented to Mr. Reeve, who made a Christian rosary out of some of them. He then concluded to request Cardinal Newman to bless the rosary, and mailed it to him at Birmingham in a small package, containing also an account of the beads. When two months had elapsed and he had received no reply to his letter, Mr. Reeve became uneasy as to the safety of the package, and consulted the post office authorities about it, fearing that it had been lost in the mails.

The Messenger of the Sacred Heart.

An edifying instance of the blessing that accompanies the sign of our salvation came under our observation not long since. Several Catholic ladies were spending a few weeks at a boarding-house at Atlantic City, and they did not neglect to ask a silent blessing or to give thanks before and after each meal. A young colored girl, who had never received any religious instruction, waited upon them at table; and her astonishment was great at seeing all these ladies, who were strangers to one another, make the Sign of the Cross at the commencement and conclusion of each meal. At rest, she asked an explanation of her mother, but that poor woman was as ignorant as her daughter as to what this strange custom could mean. Finally, being able longer to restrain her curiosity, she constantly observing the repetition of the mysterious sign, she ventured to inquire its meaning of one of the ladies. The young lady to whom she applied for information was an ardent convert to her holy Church and a Child of Mary. She was but too happy to give the desired explanation of the use of the sacred symbol, and the girl was so impressed by her words as to desire to become a Catholic. Her instruction was at once commenced, but as the short stay at the boarding-house did not permit the full preparation which was desired, the Ladies of the Sacred Heart assumed the delightful task, and were exceedingly edified by the excellent dispositions with which the convert received baptism, and made her First Communion. The girl has become an earnest Catholic, having thus been led into the True Fold by the glorious beacon-light of the Sign of the Cross.

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The history of Tobias, one of the most beautiful narratives of the Old Testament, teaches us many lessons. There we find a charming picture of home life. The father of the family is at once the example and teacher of his children; the son, a model of filial devotion to his aged parents, succoring them in their need, submissive to their will, delighted to give them pleasure.

The life of the family is full of peace. Even in affliction they recognize the finger of God and His blessing rests upon them. He is the sunshine of their home. To serve Him—to keep themselves free from sin—is their chief care. When, therefore, it became necessary that the younger Tobias should make a long journey, the first thought of his father was to find him a suitable and trustworthy companion. He would not trust his child to the guardianship of every man. He felt the necessity of great care in the choice he made. Such a choice is indeed not a trifling matter, not so unimportant an affair as some would seem to think it; the happiness of a whole lifetime, perhaps even eternal salvation itself, may be at stake. Young people especially are very susceptible to the influence of those who are about them. They are open-hearted, unsuspecting, too ready often to give their confidence and friendship to those unworthy of either. They are slow to abandon those upon whom they have bestowed their regard, unwilling to believe evil of them because of their affection for them. And so the danger to their virtue is very great when they fall into the hands of their ignorance, leaving them open to many temptations. Virtue is a precious thing. It is a treasure beyond price. To have virtue is to possess nobility of soul, elevation of mind, a close likeness to God. To have habits of virtue marks us out as true men, men who have made their animal nature subject to reason through God's grace. Virtue is not acquired in a day. The getting of it means work, constant work, for a time, perhaps a long time; and it is worth all its costs. It is something of a great value; and because it is so valuable it must be carefully guarded lest we lose it, for we may be robbed of our virtue as well as of our money.

The bad companion is he who is trying to rob us of our virtue—to rob us of the good that we possess. He wants to destroy our innocence; he wants to disturb our peace of soul; he wants to unman us, to make beasts of us. Where are these bad companions? How shall we know them? By their words, by their actions, by their speech, when they make their dirty jokes and tell their smutty stories. You shall know them when they invite you to low drinking saloons, to places where pure men strive to advance the best interests of their country; when, in a word, they suggest evil to you. From them; they are robbers; they are worse: they are murderers; they seek to take the life of your soul.

The Angel Raphael, on the other hand, teaches us the offices of a good companion. We find him guiding his young charge, warning him of dangers, instructing him how to overcome difficulties. He is by his side in the hour of need; his counsel is always at his service; his advice is good; he strives to advance the best interests of Tobias and to further the object of his journey. This is true friendship; this is right companionship. It is unselfish, conscientious endeavor to promote the friend's welfare. Young people, find yourselves a Raphael, but trust not every man.

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