

NEWS FROM IRELAND.

Wexford

A meeting announced by a special placard from the secretary of the Wexford National League to be held at Larkinstown, on Sunday, July 15th, to further the cause of the evicted tenantry of the Twyll estate, was proclaimed suddenly on Saturday evening, by Mr. F. W. Miller, "R. M."

Armagh

His Grace, the Most Rev. Dr. Lague, for the first time since his elevation to the Primatial See, visited Carrickmore, on Wednesday evening, July 11th. The people of this extensive parish, accompanied by the Ardaraun brass band, met his Grace at the station to welcome him, and show the respect in which they held him as a Bishop and a patriot.

Kilkenny

On July 17th, Justice Johnson, in opening the Kilkenny City Assize, informed the grand jury that there were only three cases to go before them—one a charge against a woman of attempted suicide, and the other two charges of burglary. He was glad to be able to say that he found the city in a very quiet condition, as he did for the last four years.

Cork

On July 20th, Justice Harrison opened the Commission of Assizes for the city of Cork. There were only two cases, both of robbery, presented from the city. Justice Andrews opened the Cork County Assize, on the calendar of which there were about sixteen cases.

At Macroom, on July 17th, during the execution of a distress warrant by a man named Cronin, assisted by four Riridans—father, two sons, and a daughter—against John O'Connell, of Macroom, the latter got stabbed with a pike. O'Connell's wife, who was unwell, received such a shock as to require the attendance of a doctor and a clergyman. A sum of ten pounds and two passage tickets for America were missed after the seizure. The officers of the Riridans were arrested. Cronin and his wife were sent to prison for six months.

Kerry

On July 20th, Mr. Patrick Ferriter, of Imple, was released from Tralee Jail, after spending a term of three months imprisonment on the offence of having sold United Ireland, containing a report of a meeting of the suppressed National League, held at Donbeg, county Clare. Mr. Ferriter has been altogether imprisoned four times under the Coercion Act.

Limerick

On July 17th, Mr. Gardiner and Colonel Perasse, "R. M.'s" held an adjourned Coercion Act court, at Murroe. Two agricultural laborers, named Michael Luffan and John Mayrick were charged with assaulting Robert Wheeler, land agent. The latter stated the prisoners met him on the road and assaulted him. The reason was because he had assisted in the eviction of Luffan's father in August last. In cross examination, witness swore he never referred any inconvenience through Luffan, and that the latter merely shook a whip in his face more for the purpose of a challenge than with any intention of injuring him. There was a further charge against the prisoners of assaulting and intimidating a railway porter named Daniel Mulchay. Luffan was sentenced to three months' imprisonment and Mayrick to three weeks.

Tipperary

The farmers who had assisted a number of others to plough up the land of Mr. Cormack, at Molehill, were sentenced to two months' hard labor under the Coercion Act at Millaubone, on July 14th. Mr. Cormack's tenants had adopted the Plan of Campaign, and having obtained ejectment decrees against his lands were ploughed by a great number of people, including the accused.

Antrim

On July 18th, the Commission of Assizes for the county of Antrim was opened in Belfast, by Justice Murphy in the county court house. The grand jury having been sworn, he said he was glad to be able to say that their labor in the investigation of bills would be extremely light, as the calendar only contained a few cases.

On the same day, Justice Holmes opened the Commission of Assizes for the

county of the town of Carrickfergus. Addressing the grand jury, he said he was happy to say that there was no business to do. He was then presented by the High Sheriff with a pair of white gloves, the High Sheriff remarking that this was the third time in succession that there was a virgin calendar. The grand jury were then discharged, and the business of the assize concluded.

DUBLIN CASTLE.

"To describe the Castle," says Mr. George Moore in his book entitled *Paradise and Hell*, "it is only necessary to compare it to an immense police barrack. It is devoid of all architecture, and the brick walls are as bare and as bald as an official document."

O'BRIEN'S TRIBUTE.

At the funeral of Mr. John Mandeville, when the grave had been filled and the last prayers said, the people still stayed on, and Mr. O'Brien was asked to say a few words to them. Amidst the most profound silence, he said: "I have been asked; to say a few words in memory of my dead comrade. I do not feel called upon to say very much, because I am afraid I may break down, and my heart is very heavy to-day. Besides this is a sacred place, and I confess to a feeling that the only voice that should be heard around the grave is the voice of the priest, the voice of that power that tells me that my dead friend who lies below me now is not dead really, but is only gone to a better and brighter land to receive, as I hope he will, the reward of his brave and faithful life here below. I do not like to harrow up your feelings, or perhaps add to the anguish of his devoted wife, by uttering some of the thoughts that spring to my lips when I think of the comrade we have lost, the strong man who was deliberately broken down and killed in the strength and flower of his life. All I can say is, may God be merciful to poor John Mandeville. (Several voices—amen) And he will be more merciful than his earthly judges were. He was a brave man, he was a stout-hearted friend, he was a fond husband, he was as noble an Irishman as ever lived, he was as good a man, as brave as a lion. Little I thought when I shook hands with him and parted in Tullamore Jail that it was his giant frame that would have been first laid low, and that it was I would survive to say these words over his grave. I little anticipated that this duty would fall upon me here to-day. I will not speak, I am afraid to trust myself to speak, of the men who deliberately broke down and shattered John Mandeville's frame by the treatment that he was subjected to when in prison. They will have to be spoken of elsewhere. They will have to be arranged elsewhere. In justice to the dead, in justice to the living, the story of John Mandeville's treatment will have to be told and will have to come out. We will make England ring with that terrible story, and I can tell you there are millions of Englishmen who are as shocked at the fate of John Mandeville as we are, and who are as resolved as we are that the story of his murder shall be told to the civilized world. I will say no more in this solemn presence. I know you will all pray to God to have mercy on John Mandeville's soul (amen). We have one memory that, thank God, he has left me behind him to carry on the work that he left unfinished. There is nothing that would gladden his brave spirit more than the feeling that he has left behind him men worthy of his sacrifice and worth dying for. His fond wife has the consolation of knowing that for many years to come his name will be whispered in tender remembrance at many a fireside here along the Galtee slopes. I believe that his suffering and his death will be the means of saving Englishmen from the atrocities that are carried on here in their name, and will be a means under heaven, of raising the land of Ireland, which John Mandeville loved so well, and whose people he met his death by serving.

A Wonderful Cure.

Mrs. George Chagnette, of Holyoke, Mass., who has been blind for five years, and who had consulted the best oculists of Quebec, completely cured by using the waters of St. Anne de Beaupre. Since she was stricken with blindness she has made every endeavor to be cured, and her husband, who is foreman in a paper mill at Holyoke, has spent thousands of dollars. Her husband tells the following story of the miraculous cure.—"Two months ago," said he, "I resolved to send my wife to Montreal, where she consulted the famous specialist, Dr. Desjardine. He did no better than our local physician, and I sent her to another specialist, who was also unsuccessful. At this time her eyes were so bad that there was only a blur before them. She could not distinguish any object. The shrine of St. Anne de Beaupre is located a few miles north of Quebec and is noted throughout Canada, if not throughout the world. I had heard that a young man from Quebec on the 9th of the present month went immediately to the shrine, reaching there on July 10. We arrived in the morning and attended Low Mass and received communion. Then we secured the holy water from the well of St. Anne de Beaupre, knowing that if there was to be any cure it must come through this. That night we went to Montreal. The next morning my wife bathed her eyes in the holy water and almost immediately she gave a cry of joy. "Mon Dieu!" she exclaimed, "I can see! I can see!" And, sure enough, she could not only discern objects and persons near to her, but those at some distance as well. Then we both gave thanks to God for His great kindness. It was a happy day for us. We reached Holyoke yesterday, and my wife saw her loved children for the first time in a number of years."

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