

THE MOTHER LAND.

Latest Mails from Ireland, England and Scotland.

Death of the "Galtee Boy" sketch of his history...

Belfast was barely beaten in the final tie, at Birmingham, for the National Physical Recreation Society's shield.

A Hussar named George Hladroff, was killed by a fall from his horse at Drumlog on April 20, during the manoeuvres of the troop.

Complaints respecting the unsanitary state of Tullow disclose an evil in the system of short leases in vogue there.

The body of Miss Oliver, a young lady of Carlow, has been found floating in the Darrow.

John Kennedy, car driver, Middleton was found murdered on April 20th between that town and Ballinacraig.

The indications at the opening of the Cork Butter Market are for a bright and prosperous season.

The Cork Farmer's Association have approved generally of Mr. Balfour's Land Bill and particularly of the purchase clauses.

A fashionable marriage has taken place in Fermoy between Thomas O'Callaghan, youngest son of the late Cornelius O'Callaghan, of Calardogan, and Miss Winnie Briggs, daughter of Col. Briggs commanding the 26th Regiment Bombay.

The North-west of Ireland Farmer's Association, composed almost exclusively of Unionists have condemned Mr. Balfour's Land Bill as insufficient, and declared that the promises of Mr. Balfour and Mr. T. W. Russell have been broken.

Work has been stopped in Lord Londonderry's colliery at Rainton. A thousand hands are thrown out of employment, and the miners are threatened with eviction from their cottages.

The Catholic committee of Derry have promulgated a report upon the action of Mr. Knox M. P., in the House of Commons on the Derry Corporation Bill, explaining fully the circumstances of the matter, and declaring that under all circumstances the action of Mr. Knox was perfectly right and natural, and that he retains the full confidence of the Catholic committee.

Billie Walsh, committed suicide at Belleau on April 20th, by throwing herself into the river Anbeg. Her mind was unbalanced.

The following telegrams have passed between Mr. A. Roche, ex-mayor of Cork, and the Countess of Aberdeen, in reference to the recent accident to her ladyship: "To Lady Aberdeen, Ottawa. Cork friends heartily congratulate on providential escape.—A. Roche, ex-Mayor, Cork, Ireland. Grateful thanks to all friends.—Lady Aberdeen."

The proselytizing case at Queens town, which attracted so much attention recently, will probably be brought prominently before the public in a new form again in consequence of the arrest of Mrs. Ellen Barnett, the mother of the two children, for whose commitment to a Protestant industrial establishment an application was made to the Queenstown justices by Head Constable Roe, on the 29th of January last. The warrant charges Mrs. Barnett with having wickedly, willfully and maliciously sworn on the 29th January last, at the Queenstown Petty Sessions Courthouse, that she and her son, James Polesky, and her daughter, Annie Barnett, children under 14 years, were then, and for some time previously, Protestants, and further, the said child, Annie Barnett, was over six years, whereas, neither she nor either of them, were ever Protestants, and the girl was aged only four years and four months.

A Mitchelstown telegram to the Freeman's Journal on April 24th says: "Very general regret will be felt throughout the country at the death of Mr. John Sarsfield Casey, which occurred this morning at his residence, in Basin street, Mitchelstown. Mr. Casey was coroner for the county Limerick and secretary of the Mitchelstown and Fermoy Railway, and held other positions of honor and respect. His name is closely and honorably associated with the memorable political struggles in Mitchelstown district. In 1863 Mr. Casey was tried at Cork before Judge Keogh for high treason. Evidence was given that Mr. Casey, who was then 19 years of age, had contributed a series of inflammatory articles of great literary merit to the 'Irish People.' The prosecuting Solicitor-General stated that the articles were remarkably effective in propagating the doctrines of Fenianism, and Judge Keogh, in sending Mr. Casey to penal servitude, commended him upon his great literary abilities. Mr. Casey, who was familiarly known as the 'Galtee Boy' from his chosen nom de plume, spent five years in penal servitude. During this period he was in the prisons of Portland and Pentonville, and the remainder in West Australia. In the English convict prisons he had O'Donovan Rossa for a fellow-prisoner, and both made a memorable fight against the vigorous treatment to which they were subjected. He was sent to West Australia with John Boyle O'Reilly, between whom and Mr. Casey the most affectionate relations existed. On his return from exile Mr. Casey in 1870 contributed to the Freeman's Journal and Cork Examiner a series of powerful articles, which were so effective in exposing the true nature of the Galtee tenants and their treatment at the hands of Mr. Patten Bridge, who without warning raised the rents from 50 to 500 per cent. These articles were carried by the Dublin press, and the most they secured at the hands of Mr.

the court decided that was an illegal act. In order, however, to give Father Marner time to apply to the court of chancery the judge directed that the child should not be interfered with by Dr. Barnardo for a month. Father Marner had gone the wrong way about the performance of a good act.

The body of Jane Byrne, age 41, domestic servant, was found floating in Liffey on April 20th.

It is desired to have the wall around the Botanic Garden removed, and its place supplied by a neat railing.

An army reserve man named John Darby, smashed the windows of Lord Burns and Co., on April 19th. He was arrested. He had damaged the place to the amount of £200.

Dr. Philip Flood, of St. Vincent Hospital, was presented with an address, on April 24, on the eve of his departure for London, where he will practice in future.

Constable John Walsh (105 E) was charged before Chief Magistrate Wall with assaulting Thomas Frederick Lewin at Ballebridge. The charge was dismissed with costs.

Charges brought forward by Dr. Connolly Norman in connection with the South Dublin Union are to be made the subject of official investigation.

Mr. Charles Dawson read a paper on the "Want of Industrial and Practical Education in the Irish National Schools" before the Social Inquiry Society on April 23.

The news has been heard with sorrow in Dublin of the death of Mother Mary Veronica Dowling, superior of the Little Company of Mary Chicago. She was born in Dublin.

Rev. J. E. H. Murphy, rector of Rathore, diocese of Meath, has been appointed professor of Irish in the University of Dublin.

The Irish Tourist Association has taken up the matter of cultivating the inland fisheries of Ireland.

Patrick Duggan, publican 2 Island-bridge, was reported to have shot himself with a revolver on April 20th; but the coroner's jury was unable to come to a conclusion how the wound was inflicted, except that it was homicidal.

The Society for the Preservation of the Irish Language have requested the commissioners of national education to restore Irish to its place in the new programme of examination of inspectors, assistants under the national board.

A fashionable wedding took place on April 20th in the University Church, St. Stephen's green, between Mr. Jules Tinchant, second son of M. Jose Tinchant, Y. Gonzales, chevalier de l'Ordre de Leopold, Antwerp, and Miss Nan Bulger, daughter of Mr. Daniel S. Bulger, Trinity street.

Some £3,000 is now only required for the St. Andrew's new Parochial Schools, reut Brunsford street. The Archbishop of Dublin heads a fresh list of subscribers with £200. The foundation stone will be laid May 12th.

Mr. Albert German, the popular Dublin baritone, has been banqueted at the Gresham hotel by his numerous friends in the city.

Mr. Joseph Burke, brother of Rev. E. J. Burke, is dead.

Punchestown races were opened on April 21st, and the lady correspondent of the Freeman, describing the display of fashion thereat writes: "Fashion pronounced itself in very emphatic accents on the Viceregal Stand, where, amongst other notable personages, was the Countess of Warwick, looking superbly handsome in white cloth embroidered in old gold. Her toque was of golden straw with Malmaison ornaments, white tulle rosette, and black ostrich plumes, and a large cluster of Malmaisons adorned the front of her dress. Another striking costume was worn by Lady Tatton Sykes, whose portrait, by 'Thaddeus' is at present in the Royal Hibernian Academy: her beautiful embroidered grass lawn costume was mounted on silk the colour of a plum which is just assuming its purple hue; a ceinture and neck band of lettuce green velvet and a Tuscan hat trimmed with lilies of the valley completed this unique French toilette."

Dr. F. F. McCabe, Dublin, has made £10,000 by a deal in Dunlop's Pneumatic Tyre Co.

Mary Byrne, mother of a servant in the employment of Lord Mayor McCoy, sued the chief magistrate for damages on account of having been thrown out of doors by him and injured. The charge was dismissed as one of black magic.

The Archbishop of Dublin has left Ireland for some weeks.

In reply to Mr. Kilbride in the House of Commons, the Irish chief secretary stated that the reconstitution of Queen's College, Galway, upon lines that would allow Catholics to enter conscientiously, was too large a matter to deal with across the floor of the House. No information could be given in the present session.

The Guardians of the Ballinacree Union have passed a resolution protesting against unjust treatment by the operation of the Galway Hospital act.

On April 23, the first time in seventeen years, the visitors of the Galway Queen's College attended in their official capacity. Sir Thomas Moffett made an exhaustive statement regarding the position of the College.

The death is announced of Mr.

Robert Percy French, of Monivon Castle, county Galway, and 3 Lower Grosvenor place, which occurred at the Hotel de la Grande Bretagne, Naples. For many years he was in the Diplomatic Service, and was 'Charge d'Affaires in Naples in 1869. Detective Sergeant O'Neill arrested at Queenstown, a young fellow named Thomas Casey as he was about embarking on the Canard liner Pavonia, on route for Boston, on the charge of having obtained money under false pretences. The accused is the son of a farmer, living at Gort, Co. Galway.

James Day, the son of a farmer at Camp, chasing sheep over the mountains, fell over a precipice and was killed.

Two bodies of the crew of a Pool fishing boat lost off the Malabar, have been washed ashore at Fouki.

Mr. Jerh Roche, J. P., Tralee, had brought up before the Board of Guardians a disgusting case of grave desecration. An old man, named O'Connor, reputed such, died at Corral and was interred. The house in which he lived was fruitlessly plundered after the funeral, and the grave reopened in search of treasure. The "habit" that covered the corpse was disarranged and torn.

Mr. M. J. Flavin when elected unanimously on April 24, at Listowel as member for North Kerry made a speech in which he said:

He hoped that the honour placed upon his shoulders would be kept faithfully and honestly, and that every action of his would be independent and straightforward, and that in the near future or at any time that the people felt it their duty to call upon him to give up his seat, he would give it up to them as sacred and unaltered as he had given it to him that day (cheers). It is in their opinion he had been constant in the past, and they have proved to-day that was their opinion, he only hoped and prayed that he would remain honest in the future ("So you will," and cheers), and that his course in the future would be straightforward and constant. He pledged himself to be as true to the labourer as to the farmer or any other number of the North Kerry constituency (cheers). He had no objection in going to Parliament except to serve the people's cause. The men of North Kerry knew him from childhood, and they had proved that day, priests and people, that as they had trusted him in the past so they were prepared to trust him in the future (cheers). He pledged himself to do everything he could in the cause of unity and would devote his special attention to the cause of North Kerry.

The Institute for Catholic soldiers at the Curragh has now started on a prosperous career. The foundation stone has been blessed by Rev. J. Dolaney and laid by Lady Anne Kerr, wife of the general commanding in the district, with a silver trowel of Irish manufacture and design. The building will cost £1,507. Most Rev. Dr. Lynch, bishop of Kildare and Leighlin heads the subscription list.

An outrage of a wanton and dastardly character was perpetrated at Rahau Protestant Church, about five miles from Tullamore. When the rector of the parish, Rev. Geo. Nicolls, The Island, Ballyumber, visited the church on Thursday he found the door open and the covering of the Communion table thrown outside. The Communion cloth and a surplice were also on the ground, whilst some calves, which were grazing in the burial ground, had strayed into the church. The greatest indignation is expressed by the Catholic population of Rahau, who have always lived on terms of the utmost cordiality with their Protestant neighbours, and the hope is expressed that the perpetrators of such a contemptible and unchristian crime may be brought to justice.

Fishing is excellent on the Shannon at Castleconnell.

The hearing of the charge against Rev. Richard Hour, Cottier, preferred by the Protestant Bishop of Limerick, in connection with offences against the ecclesiastical canons relating to the rite of baptism has been adjourned until June 17 next.

Notice of eviction has been served upon Mr. Patrick Fullam M. P., from his holdings in Donore. The farm were recently purchased in the Land Judge's Court by Mr. Thomas Curran, Kildangan.

A temperance crusade, headed by Mrs. A. M. Sullivan and others, has been opened in Drogheda.

The corporation of Drogheda has passed a resolution condemning the Irish members of Parliament who opposed the Boyne Navigation Bill.

Judge Kibby has been presented with white gloves at the Drogheda Quarter Sessions.

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A very serious explosion of gas occurred in the residence of Dr. Hall, J. P. Rowantree, Monaghan, on April 21.

At the Monthreath Petty Sessions Sarah Young, an evicted tenant, has been sent to jail for six months for retaking possession.

On April 20, the two street preachers—O'Connell and Freeman—were released from Sligo jail. They at

once proceeded, under a strong escort, to the space opposite the Town Hall, where they preached for nearly half an hour. The usual crowd of people was there and the scratch band were great obstruction. The preachers went to Dublin by the 9.10 a. m. train, accompanied by the reserve force, which had remained in town since Thursday. They appeared to feel the effects of their detention very much.

In the closing week of July the largest assemblage seen in North Tipperary in 10 years will be held in connection with the new church built at Nenagh under the auspices of Bishop McRedmond, of Killaloe and Visor-General White.

A desperate melee occurred on the 22nd between the Qingley and Maher factions at Capparoo and Nenagh. Several of the combatants were seriously wounded and some may succumb.

George Dunlop, charged with the robbery in London of £20,000 worth of diamonds from the Burtons of New York, in whose service he was, is a Strabane man. He has been footman to Lord Ashdown, Lord Londonderry, Lord Wolsely and the Duke of Portland.

Waterford has a bill before Parliament to authorize the extension of the boundaries of the city.

A dreadful tragedy has started Waterford city. Richard Reddy, employed in Matterson's curing factory, deliberately drove a knife into the heart of Richard Larkin, sub-manager, as work was about to begin, on April 19. Reddy then killed himself with the same weapon; but not before he had stabbed Patrick Hahesy in the back, dangerously wounding him. As Reddy was dying one of the men asked should a clergyman be sent for. Reddy replied: "I don't want any priest; I am an atheist, I am dying nicely."

Mr. Wm. Potts, J. P. New Court, Athlone, whose family were proprietors of Saunders Journal Dublin till it ceased publication, is dead.

The farmers of the County Wicklow, assembled in public meeting in the Wicklow Town Hall on April 22, declared the new Land Bill inadequate in all respects.

England.

Earl Howe's Convert Daughter. A fashionable marriage took place at St. Peter and St. Edward's Catholic Church, London, on April 18. The bride was Lady Edith Grosvenor, youngest daughter of Earl Howe, and the groom was Mr. H. W. Franklin. The bride is a recent convert. She is a sister of Viscount Curzon, M.P., by whom she was given away.

A Shan "First Protection Society." At the South-western Police Court, London, on April 25, Donald Mackay, and his wife were charged with obtaining charitable contributions by fraud. The prisoner, representing he was persecuted because he had changed his religion, sought subscriptions towards a society which he stated had for its objects the protection of priests and nuns, but which, it was asserted, was an illusory society and had no reality. The male prisoner was sentenced to three months' imprisonment, but the wife was released on surety for her appearance if called upon.

Justice to Catholic Schools. A return has, on the motion of Mr. Field, been presented to Parliament, giving the cases on which annual grants have been refused to schools in England and Wales from 1871 to 1895 inclusive, and the reasons for such refusal. Of the total number of schools which were refused grants 39, or exactly one half, were Catholic schools. The reason for refusal given in every instance was practically that the school was "unnecessary." In each of the thirty-nine instances referred to, after much expenditure, labor and responsibility, the priest received a curt reply stating that as the school accommodation in the district was already deemed sufficient his school could not be recognized by the State.

Scotland.

Illness of Archbishop Eyre. A telegram from Glasgow on April 21, said Archbishop Eyre was to have presided at a meeting there on that night; but his doctor forbade him to leave the house. He had not been well for a week.

Orange outbreak at Paisley. An alarming riot occurred in Paisley on April 19, caused by an Orange flute band that came down from Glasgow. The police had a hard time with the Orangemen; but eventually succeeded in putting 28 of them in the lock-up.

Justice to Scotland. Scotland is in revolt as well as Ireland against its financial relations with the "sister" kingdom. Its representatives have been promised a commission; but it has been so long a coming that they are beginning to protest against the delay. The Lord Advocate was questioned upon the subject on April 24th and renewed the promise. The Scotch members are alive to the party's dependencies on Scotch school funds expended by the Archbishop of Dublin.

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WHEN BETTS WAS A MAN

(NEW YORK WEEKLY TIMES.)

Osakopla was waking up. Now that the sultry afternoon was near it and the principal street of the city was taking on the activity which made it the pride of thirty-three or forty-five thousand good people, according as census figures or local estimates were trusted, byname newsmen were shouting their war-gongs of electric cars—Osakopla was progressive—were clanging with new energy, and on every hand were signs and tokens that the city had finished its nap.

Three young men had grouped themselves in the doorway of one of the most pretentious of the shops above which stretched a gilded sign bearing in fantastically designed letters, "The Metropolitan." Behind the plate glass of the show windows were arrayed rows of shirts, festoons of neckties, little heaps of gray-colored footwear, many-hued caps, and other articles which filled the heart of the impetuous youth of Osakopla with longings. It was a display that astounded even that connoisseur, Mr. Dick Banning.

"That's what I call a tasty window, me boy," he remarked. "Great thing to have an artistic eye, ain't it?"

Inasmuch as Mr. Banning had composed the symphony in shirtings, his companions manifested no surprise. In fact, Mr. Smith, the young gentleman to whom the observation had been directed, considered himself with a nod, which seemed to be all that was expected of him, for Mr. Banning smiled with more compacency than before. It had not occurred to him that the third member of the group would join in the conversation, except upon special invitation, for the two older clerks of "The Metropolitan" regarded their junior as a hopeless inferior.

"Indeed, Mr. Banning, I heard a compliment for you last night," the down-trodden one ventured. "And it was from a lady."

"Well?" said Banning. It was if he had told the minion: "You are permitted to proceed."

"I was calling upon a lady friend, sir, and I spoke of our windows—you know they are very much commented on in our society, sir—and I told her you had arranged them. And she said you had a great deal of taste for a man."

"Is that all?" Banning asked, with a shade of disappointment in his tone. "No; I don't think so. I remember now she said you had so much taste, sir, you must have been meant for a woman."

Banning stared at the speaker for a moment, but to no fitting response offering to him, he looked at the clock, announced that it was time to close the shop, and started out. The second man accompanied him.

"Betsey's getting worse and worse," Banning confided to his chum, as the two strolled toward their boarding place. "He's an idiot."

"Net," was the laconic response. "Betsey," otherwise Mr. Alexander Napoleon Betts, methodically inspected the gas burners, shut the cat in the cellar, fastened the rear windows, and locked the front door. Then, slipping the big key into his pocket, he crossed the street, and taking off his hat paused before a large mirror, designed to draw trade to the shop of an enterprising milliner. It was included in his routine to inspect himself thus. He saw reflected in the glass a mild face, with a dab of thin whisker in front of each ear, a delicately shaped upper lip, and a narrow forehead, from which the hair was brushed back with a deep laid design of increasing his appearance of mental depth and physical height.

With a final cast of his necktie, the young man pulled a corner of a counter handkerchief from his coat pocket, gripped a kid glove in a fashion which as he thought, concealed the absence of its mate, restored his hat to his head, and resumed his promenade. He walked slowly, for he was to take tea with the young woman whom he honored with his affections, and he had no desire to appear before her flushed and heated. By virtue of his precautions he found himself in rather less than half an hour close to the abode of his beloved, and still unfringed in his plumage. The path led him to a porch, on which stood a young woman, evidently waiting for him. A hall lamp supplemented the fading daylight in showing that she was tall, angular, and possessed of one of those faces which advertise their possessors as persons of strongly developed opinions.

"Oh, it's you, at last, is it?" she said, with some sign of impatience. "We've been waiting for you. We'll go right in, Alfy."

Once or twice Mr. Betts had wondered why nobody thought it worth while to call on him. Alexander. He had been "Alfy" in his childhood, and he was "Alley" in the speech of his affianced. "Betsey" was the result of considerable cogitation on the part of Mr. Banning.

Mr. Betts had contemplated the joy of a chaste salute in the hall, but he was robbed of such bliss, for the young woman led him without delay to the dining room, where her parents had already seated themselves at the table. Miss Amanda Roberts had inherited

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