

SUMMARY OF IRISH NEWS.

Antrim.

In the Probate Court, Dublin, on November 29th (before Judge Warren), in the matter of the goods of John F. Anderson—Mr. T. Macaulay Fitzgibbon, on the part of Thomas Anderson, a railway employe in America, and a brother of the deceased, John F. Anderson, applied for letters of administration of the goods of the deceased, J. F. Anderson, who died intestate on the 11th December, 1893, was possessed of a farm in the county Antrim, and other property also. His other next of kin were two sisters, Mrs. Louisa Davison and Mrs. Olivia Thompson, both of Belfast, and the former claimed that the grant of administration should be made to her. Judge Warren granted letters to Thomas Anderson.

Carlow.

On the Feast of the Presentation the impressive ceremony of conferring the black veil and the other insignia of a professed nun of the Presentation Order took place in the chapel of the convent of the Carlow community. The young lady who made her final vows was Miss Ellie O'Rourke (in religion Sister Xavier), daughter of Mr. William O'Rourke, Ballynock, county Carlow. The Most Rev. Dr. Comerford, Coadjutor, Bishop of Kildare and Leighlin, officiated at the ceremony.

Cavan.

The Lord Chancellor has appointed Mr. James McGauran, P.L.G., Gouthill, Blacklion, to the Commission of the Peace for the county of Cavan. He is a leading Nationalist in the district. Mr. Robert Willoughby Hamilton, of Dowra, has also been appointed to the Commission of the Peace for Cavan.

Cork.

On Nov. 28th, Alderman Flavin was nominated as the Nationalist candidate for the Mayoralty of Cork, for 1895. The only other candidate was Alderman Roche, the present Mayor. There are 18 Nationalists in the Council, 19 Redmondites, and 19 Tories.

We regret to have to announce the death of Mr. Patrick O'Hea, of Bridge st., Skibbereen, which took place at the residence of his son, the Rev. Timothy O'Hea, C.C., Clonsilla. Mr. O'Hea had been in feeble health for some time, and a few months ago he went on a visit to Clonsilla, in the hope that the change would bring about an improvement. It had not the desired effect however and to the grief of his friends, and a wide circle of acquaintances, the end came on November 28th. Mr. O'Hea was highly respected in West Cork. He was an old resident of Skibbereen, where he carried on business for a number years, and was for several years a member of the Town Board, and as such helped to promote the interests of the township in a very material degree.

Dublin.

Viscount Monck died on November 29th, at his residence, Charville, Enniskerry, in his 76th year. During his time he held various positions of importance, including that of Governor General of Canada. He was Lieutenant of the County and City of Dublin until 1892, when, like some other Conservatives, he resigned before the dissolution, in order to ensure the continuance of the office to his party.

Dungall.

Henceforward the mail car which was hitherto run between Bundoran and Glenties, will run from Bundoran to Manorbhamilton. The car will leave Bundoran at about 4 p.m., and proceed by way of Glenties to Manorbhamilton, returning to Bundoran next morning.

Fermanagh.

On Nov. 21st, three young ladies received the white veil at the hands of the Most Rev. Dr. Owens, in the Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Enniskillen. The ladies received were—Miss McGuire, of Munnville House, Lisnakea (in religion Sister Mary Francis de Sales); Miss M. Heary, Enniskillen (in religion Sister Mary John Berchmans); and Miss Quinn, Cork (in religion Sister Mary Fauchal). The Most Rev. Dr. Owens was assisted by the Ven. Archdeacon Smolten, Enniskillen; and the Rev. P. McDonnell, Ann., Monaghan. The Bishop preached an eloquent and impressive sermon on the function in which he was engaged.

Galway.

The election for the East Ward of Galway, which took place on the 6th of September last, having been quashed on petition by the Queen's Bench, a new election was ordered, and took place on Nov. 24. The Redmondites and Tories combined to defeat the Nationalist candidate, and gave their joint support to the Unionist, Mr. Henry Palmer, who was nominated against Mr. Henry Lydon. The Municipal franchise in Galway, under its special acts is a very unfavorable one for the Nationalists, there being plural voting on a scale extending to six votes where the valuation reached £250 or upwards. The election was very hotly contested, both parties making every effort to poll their last man. The active Redmondites and officers of the local Land League acted as agents for the Unionists, and brought up their allied supporters. The poll closed at eight o'clock, when the figures were announced as follows by the returning officer:—Mr. F. Lydon (N.), 160; Mr. H. Palmer (U.), 136. Majority for Lydon, 14. Mr. Lydon

was thereupon declared elected. The result has given the greatest satisfaction to the Nationalists of Galway.

Merry.

At the meeting of the Listowel Board of Guardians, on November 30th, a communication was received from the Chief Secretary's Department, acknowledging the receipt of the resolution of the Board, pointing out the certainty of distress during the winter in the Listowel Union as a result of the all but total failure of the potato crop. There was also a communication from Mr. Sexton, and another was received from the Congested Districts Board, stating that the relief of temporary distress, resulting from the failure of the potato crop did not come within their province. Capt Leslie advocated the construction of a light railway to Tarbert as a good means of giving employment. He supposed it could be constructed for £3,000 a mile. A resolution was passed calling on the Congested Districts Board to open up some permanent useful works, and particularly the construction of a light railway to Tarbert, which would be sure to prove a useful and reproductive work.

Mildare.

On November 30th, in the Queen's Bench Court No. 1 (before Mr. Justice Johnson) the case of the Queens v. Boughton was called. The prisoner, Thomas Boughton, a gamekeeper on the Clongorey estate, is in custody on the charge of the wilful murder of Laurence Fox. The case has been removed from the county Kildare into the Queen's Bench Division by writ of *certiorari*, and it was now to be tried, by order of the Queen's Bench Division, as a court record in the county of the city of Dublin. Justice Johnson fixed the next sitting of the court, in Queen's Bench No. 2, for the hearing of the case, and stated that a large attendance of juniors would be required, as there was a likelihood of many challenges being made.

Milkenny.

The recent election of the aldermanship of St. Canice's Ward, Kilkenny, is in dispute. Alderman Rowan claims 64 votes as against Mr. Purcell's 63, and the Returning Officer declared that it was 64 all, and gave his vote in favor of Mr. Purcell. Alderman Rowan has instructed his solicitor to lodge a petition against the election, which will now be decided by the Queen's Bench.

King's County.

On Sunday, November 25th, the ceremony of the reception of a religious took place in the Convent of Mercy, Frankfort. The young lady received was Miss Annie O'Growney (now Sister M. Veronica), sister to the Rev. Eugene O'Growney, Professor of Irish, Maynooth College, who is now in the United States. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. M. Gaffney, P.P., V.G., Clara. A large number of the friends of the religious and many of the clergy were present on the occasion.

Letterkenny.

At the meeting of the Mohill Board of Guardians, on November 29th, Major Mullins, J.P., presiding a letter was read from a farmer named Felix Kelleher, calling the attention of the Board to the imminent peril of the farmers and poor people through the failure of the potatoes crop in Mohill district, and stating that he had been requested by the people to lay the facts before them. They had been wholly deprived of potatoes for the previous month, and the farmers and laborers were on the verge of pauperism. They called on the Guardians to bring their case before the Congested Districts Board, to use their influence to get public works opened, to aid the farmers in getting a seed grant, and to ask the landlords for reductions in rent. The Chairman said he believed the present year had been the worst for potatoes since '46. Many farmers had not even a seed to put into the ground, and it was really saddening to look at the present state of things. He knew extensive farmers who could not pay rent this year, and he suggested that a resolution be passed calling on the landlords of the district to give substantial reductions. After a long discussion it was decided to call a special meeting to settle the matter.

Limerick.

The threatened strike amongst the employees of the Great Southern and Western Railway, for an increase of wages, has been put off to a future date, owing to strong appeals made by influential public men, as, at this season, it would cause great inconvenience and loss to the general public, as well as the country at large.

Louth.

On November 28th, at a large and influential meeting, Alderman Jordan, J.P., presiding, the Mayor, Mr. B. Nulty, T.C.; the High Sheriff, Mallen (evicted tenant, Massorne estate, and secretary of the Monasterboice Branch I.N.F.), in addition to Alderman, Town Councillors, laborers, and artisans, were present. It was decided that every effort should be made to ensure the success of the National meeting at Tenure, at which Mr. John Dillon had signified his intention of attending.

Mayo.

On November 26th, a narrow escape from a serious accident took place in the "Soup Yard," Ballina, which is converted now into a steam saw mill, by Arthur Maffeny. On one of the lofts, Mr. Maffeny had de-



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posited sixty or seventy tons of bran. The floor was in itself not sufficient to stand the test, the uprights being partly rotten. While Mr. Muffeny was quitting the place in the evening the whole structure came down with a crash, the boards splitting in the centre as if they had been cut by a saw.

Roscommon.

Mr. J. Vaughan, Athlone, attended at Enfield, on November 29th, to receive the rents due on the Keller and Cartron estate of Mr. E. Hughes, ex-High Sheriff, on Roscommon. He granted a reduction of 3s. in the pound, to the tenants, on the judicial rents.

Sligo.

At a full meeting of the Nationalist members of the Sligo Corporation, held in the Mayor's parlor in the Town Hall, on November 30th, Mr. P. A. McHugh, M.P., was unanimously selected by his party as Mayor for 1895. The Nationalists have only one of a majority over the Tories, and although two of the members are Redmondites, they support Mr. McHugh without hesitation.

Tipperary.

Alderman Edward Cantwell, J.P., the present Mayor of Clonmel, has been selected by the Nationalist members of the Corporation as their candidate for the Mayoralty, for 1895.

Mr. John Power Walsh, J.P. National Bank, Nenagh, has resigned his position as manager of the Nenagh branch of the bank, owing to increasing ill health, resulting from the severe injuries sustained by him, some years ago, when he was shot at and injured when returning from his office of the Bank at Borriskane.

Tyrone.

On Nov. 23d, a sad accident took place in a farm house in Killybrack, about a mile from Dungannon. A girl, about nineteen years of age, named Josephine Caldwell, residing with her father, was subject to epileptic fits, and while doing some domestic work, took one of these fits and fell into the fire. Her father, who has been totally blind for some years, and is an invalid, on becoming aware of her position, rescued her, sustaining severe injuries himself while doing so. On hearing his cries some of the neighbors came to their assistance, and Dr. Sugars was sent for. On his arrival he had both sufferers removed to the Union Hospital. The daughter was found to be severely burned, and the father much injured in his hands.

Waterford.

At the meeting of the Nationalist members of the Waterford Corporation, on November 27, Mr. William J. Smith, J.P., was the motion of Alderman Power, adopted as their candidate for next year's Mayoralty.

A painful accident occurred at Hacketts-town, near Portlaoine, on November 24th. A young girl named Alice Pyne, a servant in the employment of a farmer named Drohan, residing in that town, was engaged in preparing the sheaves for a threshing machine which was at work in her employer's haggard, and after the horses had stopped on the conclusion of the day's work, but while the "beaters" were still revolving with the momentum acquired, she approached the machine and incautiously pushed with her hand some of the straw between the beaters. The result was that she was caught by the machinery and her hand and arm were frightfully mangled before she could be released.

Wexford.

On November 21 an interesting event took place at the residence of Rev. Michael C. Hayden, C.C., Ferns, when the Rev. gentleman was presented with two addresses and a purse of sovereigns from the parishioners of Litter, whence he has been removed to Ferns. On his ordination, some five or six years ago, Father Hayden was appointed curate of Litter, of which the Rev. Jeremiah O'Connor is parish priest. Shortly after, Father O'Connor, who was engaged in building a new church in Litter, left Ireland to

collect funds in America and Australia for that purpose. Father Hayden was accordingly left in charge of the entire parish of Litter for fully five years, and his popularity in the parish is shown in the presentation; after which Dr. Pountney, on behalf of the Protestant community of Litter, spoke in feeling terms of the respect in which they held Father Hayden, and of the feeling of good will between all sects that the good priest had so labored to foster. The Rev. gentleman returned a suitable response.

Wicklow.

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